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A.P, ODISHA ON ALERT AHEAD OF CYCLONE GULAB LANDFALL

The IMD issued an orange alert, predicting the storm would hit the coast between Vizag (AP) and Odisha on Sunday evening

NDRF, SDRF TEAMS DEPLOYED IN BOTH STATES

Three teams of NDRF and one SDRF detachment have been positioned in north coastal Andhra districts to shift 86,000 families from low-lying areas. Arrangements to mitigate Gulab's impact were being made on a war footing in Odisha, with seven districts put on high alert. Officials said the IMD forecasts squally winds, flash floods and landslides in these areas

CRISIS MANAGEMENT PANEL TAKES STOCK

- An orange alert is issued by the IMD as a warning of extremely bad weather with the potential of disruption in travel with road and railway closures, and interruption of power supply
- The National Crisis Management Committee reviewed the measures and assured all help to the states to tackle the storm

100 kmph

THE PREDICTED WIND SPEED OF GULAB WHEN IT MAKES LANDFALL

CHENNAI ▪ MADURAI ▪ VIJAYAWADA ▪ BENGALURU ▪ KOCHI ▪ HYDERABAD ▪ VISAKHAPATNAM ▪ COIMBATORE ▪ KOZHIKODE ▪ THIRUVANANTHAPURAM ▪ BELAGAVI ▪ BHUBANESWAR ▪ SHIVAMOGGA ▪ MANGALURU ▪ TIRUPATI ▪ TIRUCHY ▪ TIRUNELVELI ▪ SAMBALPUR ▪ HUBBALLI ▪ DHARMAPURI ▪ KOTTAYAM ▪ KANNUR ▪ VILLUPURAM ▪ KOLLAM ▪ WARANGAL ▪ TADEPALLIGUDEM ▪ NAGAPATTINAM ▪ THRISSUR ▪ KALABURAGI

Warns against Beijing's expansionism in Indian Ocean, Islamabad's terror support

Modi targets China, Pak at UN

PUSHKAR BANAKAR @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday made veiled attacks on Pakistan and China, saying "regressive thinking and extremism are one of the biggest challenges the world faces today". In an apparent reference to Pakistan, Modi told the 76th United Nations General Assembly: "Those who employ terrorism as a political tool must realise that it is a threat to them as well. We must ensure that Afghan soil is not used for terror activities."

In a veiled attack on China, Modi said oceans were the lifelines of global trade. "Oceans are our shared heritage. We must use and not abuse oceanic resources. We must ensure that they must be protected against expansionism," he said and added that the consensus reached at the Security Council with regard to maritime security must show the way forward.

In yet another apparent reference to China and calling for reform of multilateral organisations, the PM said the investigation into the origin of the coronavirus had damaged international organisations themselves.

"The United Nations needs to enhance its reliability. Many questions are being raised with regard to the UN. The pandemic, climate change and more recently the Afghanistan situation has only highlighted these questions," he said.

The Prime Minister highlighted how democracy was an important value in India and referred to his own humble beginning as a tea-seller. "It is because of democracy that a person who helped his father sell tea is addressing the UNGA for the fourth time. Democracy can deliver, it has delivered," he said and invoked Deen Dayal Upadhyay's philosophy of integral humanism.

The Prime Minister also reiterated India's commitment to resuming vaccine exports from next month. Saying that the pandemic had taught many lessons, he called for the diversification of supply chains. P9

Urges world to help Af

Prime Minister Narendra Modi said the world must fulfil its duty by providing help to the people in war-torn Afghanistan where women, children and minorities are in need of help

With regard to the origin of Covid or the ease of doing business rankings, the international institutions have damaged their credibility

PM Narendra Modi

How UN can stay relevant

If the UN wants to remain relevant, it will need to improve its effectiveness and enhance its reliability, PM Narendra Modi said on Saturday

'Come, make vax in India'

The PM invited global drug makers to make vaccines in India, while reiterating that New Delhi will provide the jabs to the needy in other countries

'Pak is arsonist disguising as firefighter'

ENS @ New Delhi

INDIA on Saturday gave a blistering retort to terror supporter Pakistan for raising the Kashmir issue at the United Nations General Assembly, terming Islamabad an 'arsonist disguising itself as the firefighter'.

At the 76th UNGA, Pakistan PM Imran Khan raked up the abrogation of Art 370 and death of separatist SA Geelani.

"We exercise our right of reply to one more attempt by the leader of Pakistan to tarnish the image of this august forum by bringing in matters internal to my country, ," said first secretary **Sneha Dubey.** She said such statements ridden with falsehoods deserve the collective contempt of the UNGA. I ndia reiterated that J&K and Ladakh were an integral part of India, including areas under the "illegal occupation of Pakistan."

WITH THIS ISSUE

MOTHERLODES OF POWER

PLUS 12 PAGES MAGAZINE

TRUE GRIT P2

KARNATAKA	SEPT 24	SEPT 25
Fresh cases	789	787
Recoveries	1,050	775
Deaths	23	11

State services in poor health: School, police HQs turn PHCs

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

A primary health centre run from a school at a village in Mandya district, the pathetic condition of centres situated at police headquarters in different parts of Karnataka and rented buildings accommodating these healthcare facilities are some of the important observations made by member-secretaries of District Legal Services Authorities (DLSAs) during their visit to 100 PHCs recently.

A report, prepared by DLSAs and submitted by the Karnataka State Legal Services Authority (KSLSA) to the Karnataka High Court, pointed out that of the 100 PHCs, six are 'bad', six 'very good', 67 'good' and 22 'average'.

The PHC at Shankarapura village of Mandya district is run from two classrooms of a school. The condition of the building and ambience is not right for the centre, the member secretaries stated.

Three PHCs are being run in a rented building, while four centres are located at police headquarters in Dharwad, Doora village in Mysuru, Bellavi in Tumakuru and Hiremagaluru in Chikkamagaluru are in a dilapidated condition and require immediate attention, they stated.

The teams, which also visited one Community Health Centre, revealed that many PHCs are not complying with the Indian Public Health Standards and also lacked basic cleanliness and hygiene. P7

Tough life lessons helped them crack UPSC

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR & ANURAAG SINGH @Patna/Bhopal

CLEARING the UPSC is no mean task, for every year lakhs are called but only a few are chosen. Among the 761 who made it to the final list on Friday was Bihar's Kishanganj native Anil Basak, who secured 45th rank in his third attempt, capping a long list of achievements that began with his becoming the first graduate from his family, and that, too, from IIT-Delhi.

Nimishi Tripathi

Anil Basak

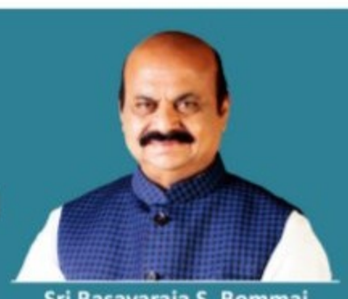
The son of a cloth hawker, Anil's inspiration in moments of despair was the smiling face of his father returning home after a gruelling day at work. "I spent my childhood facing hardships. Whenever I was down, I would recall the faces of my family members," Anil said.

Similar was the case with Nimishi Tripathi who had seen her father toil for paltry pay as a forest guard in Madhya Pradesh's Khandwa district. Nimishi is a product of Delhi University from where she did her BSc (Maths). "Despite being frequently transferred, my father ensured my mother, younger sister and I remained in Sanawad (Khargone) such that our studies were not affected. P10

Department of Labour

Karnataka Building and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board

Karnataka State Unorganised Workers Social Security Board



Sri Basavaraja S. Bommai
Hon'ble Chief Minister

Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri Basavaraja S. Bommai and Minister for Labour, Sri Arabail Shivaram Hebbar Participating in the Launch of Labour e-Shram Portal

Platform for Registration of Unorganised Workers

e-Shram
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NATIONAL DATABASE OF UNORGANISED WORKERS

National Database of Unorganised Workers (NDUW)

Unorganized Workers Categories:

The156 categories of unorganised workers identified by the Union Government inclusive of Building and Other Construction, Agriculture Labourers, Fishermen, Asha Workers, Domestic Workers, Drivers, Tailors, Street Vendors and other categories of unorganised workers not mentioned in the list can also register under "Other Category" (To get the list of unorganised workers, visit www.ksuwssb.karnataka.gov.in)

Benefits of registration

- Social Security and Welfare benefits can be availed
- Database helps to frame special policies and Schemes for unorganised workers.
- Can avail the Accidental Insurance coverage under PM-SBY for a period of one year (Rs.2.00 Lakh in case of Accident resulting in death or permanent total disability and Rs.1.00 lakh for partial disability.)

Eligibility for registration

- Workers age should be 16-59 years.
- Should not be an income tax payee.
- Should not be a member of EPFO or ESIC.

Documents required

- Aadhaar Card
- Mobile Number linked with Aadhaar No.
- Details of Bank Account.

Registration is free of cost. For registration, visit the nearest Common Service Center (CSC) or for self- registration visit eSHRAM portal www.eshram.gov.in

Workers who have registered can get UAN Card on the spot and the same will be accepted across the country and valid for lifetime.

For more information, contact

Labour Helpline 155214 (24x7)

e-Shram Helpline 14434 (Monday to Saturday from 8:00 a.m to 8:00 p.m.),

Dr. G. Kalpana, IAS, Addl. Chief Secretary to Govt. Department of Labour

Jurisdictional Labour Officers and Senior Labour Inspectors/ Offices of Labour Inspectors, Department of Labour.

Akram Pasha, IAS, Labour Commissioner and C.E.O.of KBOCWWB.

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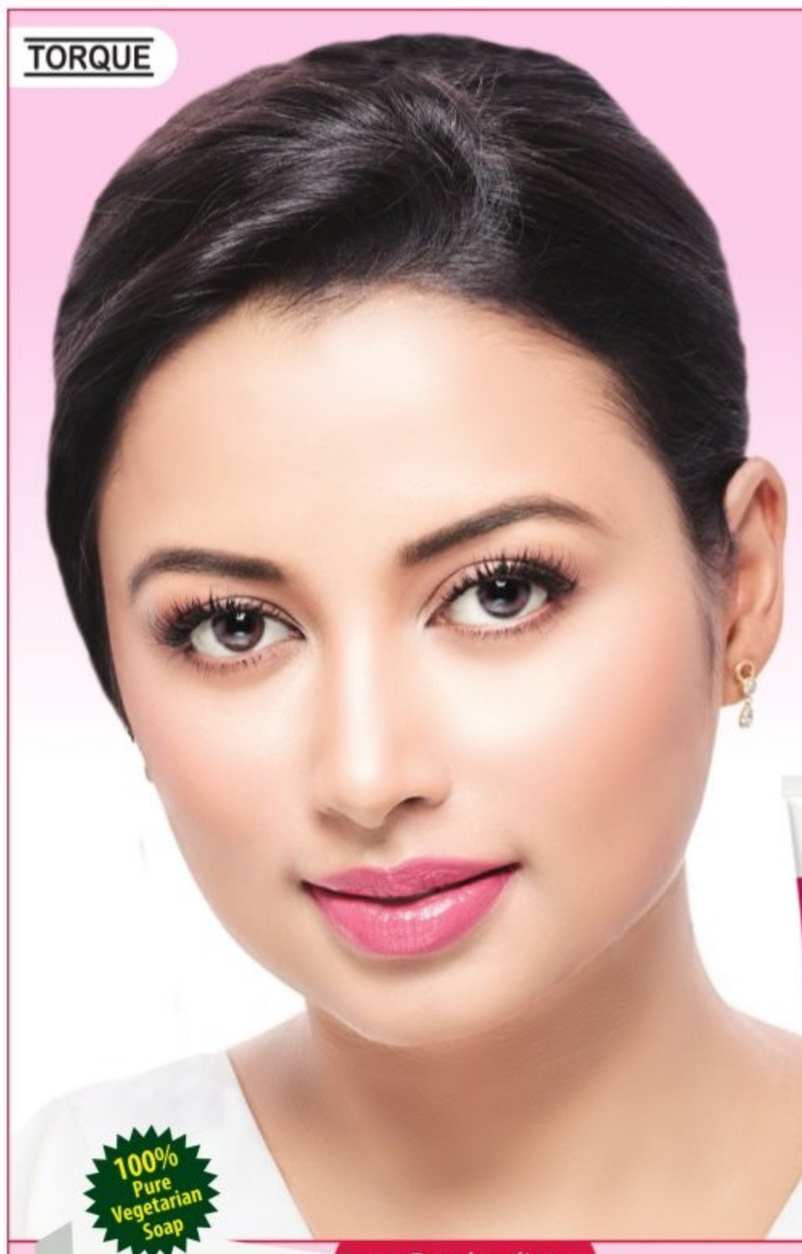

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ALMANAC TODAY
Sunday : 26/09/2021 • Year: Plava • Ayana: Dakshinayana
Ritu: Varsha • Masa: Sravana • Paksha: Krishna • Tithi: Panchami 10.16 am
Nakshatra: Krithika 1.08 pm • Moon in Mithuna Rashi • Rahukaala: 04:30 pm to 06:00 pm
Gulikakala: 03:00 pm to 04:30 pm • Yamaganda: 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm

WEATHER
MIN 20°C | MAX 28°C
FORECAST
Showers late. Breaks of sun late

Sunrise 6.08 am
Sunset 6.13 pm
Moonrise 10.59 pm
Moonset 10.18 am

TRUE GRIT

Women from Kaluru in Kodagu rise from ruins towards self-reliance

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women trained in manufacturing masala, pickle, chocolates, chips, rice flour and other food items

We wanted to create a continuous revenue generating model for the women. We didn't take the CSR approach as it is not suitable for the situation here

Balaji Kashyap, head, Project Coorg

PRAJNA GR @Madikeri

IN August 2018, when the skies opened up with a vengeance, and flash floods and landslides left a trail of destruction, Kaluru was one of the worst-hit villages in Kodagu district. People lost their livestock, houses, farmlands and estates overnight.

"Over 200 families moved to relief centres in August and we returned to our village only in October. Estates, farmlands, cattle – everything was lost," recalls Dechavva, who was left to pick up the pieces after the disaster.

The villagers were mostly agriculturists, but with their farmlands and estates buried under debris, their future appeared grim. If was the women who rose from the ruins to crossed all hurdles to turn around their lives. Their grit and determination earned them the title of 'Kaluru women'. They are now entrepreneurs and sole breadwinners, thanks to Project Coorg, a rehabilitation initiative.

Narrating how they started getting back on their feet, Dechavva, who became a master tailor at the age of 65, says the village temple priest, Nagesh Kaluru, approached Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan, seeking support to rebuild the life of the villagers.

Under Project Coorg, the trust started organising skill development programmes for the women of the village. They were also joined by a few affected women from Devasthuru village. Soon, tailoring and food processing training programmes took shape.

The tailoring unit was headed by Ashrafunissa. "I didn't know much about Kaluru village till the disaster. I stay in Madikeri and my house also suffered severe damage due to landslides. During this time, I was approached by Balaji Kashyap – who heads Project Coorg. I was asked to train women in tailoring," she says. A total of 30 women were trained for six months.

However, not all the women wanted to take up needle and thread. The older ones opted for food processing, and 30 women were trained in manufacturing masala, pickle, chocolates, chips, rice flour and other food items by Neena Shetty, award-winning chef from Udupi.

"We wanted to create a continuous revenue generating model for the women. We didn't take the CSR approach as it is not suitable for the situation here. However, sponsors and partners came in to support the initiative after seeing our work," says Kashyap of Project Coorg.

The women were also taught soft skills and other business know-how by Kashyap and the initiative launched 'Yashaswi' – a self-help group to empower the Kaluru women.

The villagers' struggle didn't go unnoticed. Many sponsors came forward to support the group, and the land for the Yashaswi factory was donated by the Karera family of the village. The factory building was sponsored by the Kodava Koota of North America. With equipment donated by various companies, including Bosch India, the women of Kaluru soon became entrepreneurs.

"I only worked in farmlands all my life. I did not know how to even hold a needle. But our trainer, Ashrafunissa, taught me like I was a child and now I stitch bags for several companies; I continue to earn my own living," adds Dechavva.

Ashraf explains that the women get orders from various schools to stitch uniforms and other products. "Our business is expanding as we are getting orders from colleges outside Kodagu too," she says. Many other women in the village now have the skill of working with factory jack machines installed at the unit.

Muthamma, an entrepreneur under the Yashaswi group, opted for training in food processing as her eyesight was not good enough for stitching. Along with other elder women, she grinds rice and flour, prepares various masala powders and tries her hand at chocolate making. "Apart from the regular salary, we are paid incentives when sales increase," she said.

A rustic eatery, called Forest Cafe, was also set up next to the factory, and tourists often visit it. "We serve local delicacies and also sell food products which we make," says Jamuna.

The flood victims have now become an inspiration for many, and skill development training is being extended to many other women across the district. "Post the pandemic, the Project Coorg initiative has expanded from being a rehabilitation initiative to a women empowerment initiative," says Balaji.

1.The Forest Cafe at Kaluru; 2. Chocolate making process under way; 3. Dechavva, who learnt tailoring at the age of 65; and 4. Ashrafunissa (standing) and her team at Yashasvi Tailoring Unit | EXPRESS

RAIN OF BLESSINGS

Folk idol Jokumaraswamy lives for seven ritualistic days, and blesses the villages of Gadag with a good monsoon

RAGHOTTAM KOPPAR @ Gadag

IT'S that time of the year and the rains are here! The Indian monsoon brings with it reason to rejoice, a moment to celebrate, and a reminder to rekindle one's tryst with tradition. For some denizens of North Karnataka, it's the call to propitiate the deity Jokumaraswamy. A sacred being associated with rain, a ritual is observed in honour of Jokumaraswamy in this region after Ganesha Chaturthi.

Legend has it that ages ago, Jokumaraswamy appeared on Ashtami day and lived for seven days. With faith and piety, villagers across Gadag's Ron, Laxmeshwar and Shirahatti taluks partake in his ritual, believing that their region will experience bountiful rainfall as a result. They fear that there could be severe drought otherwise.

For a district that is 'unblessed' with scant rainfall, the folk idol Jokumaraswamy imbibes a sense of optimism and hope. For centuries, this common sacred thread has bound Gadag's villages together.

"The deity blesses us with good rain and harvest. The ritual makes us come together where we share our happiness, worries and sorrows," says Ron taluk resident Nanda Menasagi.

The ritual's preparation is as intricate as its tradition. Villagers collect mud from the surrounding lakes to fashion idols of Jokumaraswamy, which are then placed within specially-designed bamboo baskets with neem leaves and hibiscus flowers.

As regards Jokumaraswamy's iconography, his face sports big black eyes and lips, on which butter is applied. A menacing, yet impressive moustache is made of rope or cotton. Some villagers also place dried red chillies on the idol, as part of the ritual. The idea behind Jokumaraswamy being depicted as dangerous or cruel is to ward off bad omens and herald glad tidings.

Once the idol is ready and placed in the basket, women travel through seven villages, singing folk songs and collecting food and grain. "We celebrate Jokumaraswamy's festival every year. Women collect mud from lakes on the village outskirts to be used for making idols of the deity. We then pass through seven villages, one village a day, and collect grains," says Nanda, adding that one village translates to a day in the life of Jokumaraswamy.

Women from the Barker family, with a basket carrying the idol of Jokumaraswamy and other offerings, at a village in Ron taluk

On the final day, villagers visit a washerman's house and collect a white cloth. Meanwhile, women carry the idol to a field where they 'kill' Jokumaraswamy by pelting 'Him' with stones or beating 'Him' with an onake (pestle). They then cover the idol with the cloth and bury it.

Sadly, the hoary ritual is becoming a victim of neglect and modernisation today, with many younger women moving to urban areas for jobs. "North Karnataka has many folk rituals that are fast disappearing. This is one of them," rues folk artiste Dyamanna Konnur.

But not all hope is lost. In Gadag, some villagers are imparting these traditions to their younger generations, especially women, to be preserved and cherished.

"Many rural women are making use of social media and smartphones to share videos, lest people forget their folk songs and practices," concludes Konnur. In fact, some villagers are also inculcating awareness about these traditions among their children. The Barker family of Jakkali, Ron taluk, is training children and the youth of their village in folk songs. Muttappa, Mallavva and Sharada Barker -- all farmers -- are enabling their young ones to pass on the torch of tradition to enlighten future generations.

We feel elated when we visit others' homes and sing folk songs dedicated to Jokumaraswamy. We visit one village a day and complete seven villages. While killing Jokumaraswamy, we throw his idol to the ground, with the face looking towards the sky; if the face is towards the ground, it means we will not have good rain that year

Hanumavva and Sharada Barker, residents of Jakkali village, Gadag district

SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN

Nanda Menasagi and other women of Jakkali make videos of folk art forms like Dollu Kunita, Goravara Kunita, Veeragase and Doddata, where elders of the community share knowledge about rituals and customs, and children perform the same. These are shared online. "It will take us a year as many events come once annually. We will document and upload videos about them on YouTube. We also have plans of uploading clips about folk games like Lagori, Laddu Laddu Timmaiah, Goli and Gilli Danda online," Nanda says.

A woman carries the sacred basket in Lakshmeshwar taluk

City institute alumnus bags NSS award

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru:

SIRISH Govardhan, an alumnus and National Social Scheme (NSS) volunteer of KS Institute of Technology, Bengaluru, was honoured with the prestigious NSS National Award for 2019-20. The award was conferred by President Ram Nath Kovind on the occasion of NSS Day on September 24 in New Delhi.

Govardhan was awarded for his exemplary work in blood donation and afforestation. He was also recognised for collecting Rs 1.53 lakh for two NGOs by undertaking a solo cycle ride of 2,000km from Bengaluru and for his idea on water conservation that was pitched in 2018.

Along with Govardhan, Bindya L, an NSS volunteer of Govinda Das Degree College in Mangaluru, too received the award.

"It is after six years that someone from Karnataka has got the award in the boy's category and after four years in the girl's category. It is also for the first time that a boy and a girl received the award together," said Govardhan, who graduated from KSIT in 2020.

Govardhan explained that each college sends its best volunteers with details of their works to the universities. "There are 25 to 26 universities in Karnataka and the state nominates two boys and girls. Out of this, the Centre chooses top 30," he said.

"Normally, NSS students from urban areas are not popular because they are considered as people who help in organising blood donation camps and assist government departments, but this award will help recognise the hard work NSS volunteers put in," said Vinay K, another student.

WARES ON WHEELS

A mother and her child walk past a school bus, which is being used by a hawker to display colourful umbrellas, ahead of reopening of schools in Bengaluru on Saturday. Owing to Covid-19 pandemic, schools in Karnataka have remained closed for more than a year

EXPRESS READ

BMTC gives free travel facility for students appearing SSLC exams

Bengalruru: Karnataka SSLC supplementary examinations is to be held on September 27 and 29. BMTC has extended free travel facility to all the students attending the supplementary exams from their residence to the examination hall on production of hall ticket or student pass.

New Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief for IAF Training Command

Air Marshal Manavendra Singh took over as the Air Officer Commanding in Chief (AOC-in-C) of Training Command, IAF, Bengaluru, on Saturday. He was commissioned in the flying branch of IAF in December 1982 as a helicopter pilot. Prior to taking over as the AOC-in-C of Training Command, he was AOC-in-C HQ Southern Air Command.

WFH TURNS 'NATURALLY PRODUCTIVE' FOR COUPLES ON IVF TREATMENT

CHETANA BELAGERE @Bengaluru

THE lockdown and work from home option have literally been "productive" for some couples who were struggling to conceive for the past five to six years or were undergoing In Vitro Fertilisation (IVF) treatments. Fertility experts in the city claim that nearly 30% of their clients have conceived naturally during the lockdown and work from home period.

"There is definitely good news. We have had many of our couples who had planned for assisted reproduction techniques having conceived spontaneously," said Dr Pallavi A Rao of S DAAC registered sperm bank (ART bank) in the state.

Attributing the possible reasons to the proximity between the couples, change in time zones for couples working in the US and the UK shifts, lifestyle modifications, reduction in travelling during the lockdown and 'work from home' options, Dr Soumya Sangamesh, an infertility specialist at BGS Gleeagles Global Hospital, said, "Some of them who lost track or postponed treatment for fertility issues have conceived. This may be due to reduced mental stress or spending more time together and also, we would have put them on some treatment which would have improved their sperm counts or egg quality, or better uterine micro-environment which are favourable for pregnancy."

Meanwhile, Dr Anu Kottur, Faciltiy Director, Milann Fertility and Birthing Centre, said, "There have been instances where 25% of couples who had come for IVF treatment to our centre had conceived naturally during the lockdown."

The gynaecologists say that the biological clock for many of these couples tuned for good during their 'work from home' days. Expressing joy over conceiving after trying the IVF method twice and being married for almost eight years, Swathi Ashish, a software engineer by profession told TNIE, "It was like a miracle for us. My husband lost weight and since he could not meet his friends, the regular parties were avoided. I didn't have to travel all the way to Electronics City. All these, I think came together to help me conceive naturally."

As part of the government's priority on ramping up healthcare infrastructure in the state, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai said there are plans to open branches of Kidwai Institute of Oncology and Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences in all district headquarters

After a month, city sees Covid death of a child

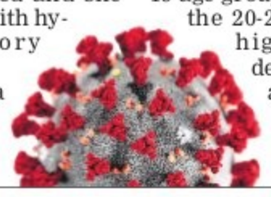
3-yr-old girl with ILI symptoms, fever and cough succumbs to virus; No. of deaths in 0-9 age group in K'taka is 65

IFFATH FATHIMA @Bengaluru

AFTER a month's time of no Covid-19 child deaths being reported in its jurisdiction, the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike(BBMP) recorded the death of a three-year-old girl, as per Friday's health bulletin.

The three-year-old was a resident of Hosaballi and had symptoms of Influenza-Like Illness (ILI), fever and cough, and was admitted to Indira Gandhi Institute of Child Health (IGICH) in Bengaluru on September 6. However the child passed away on September 9. The child had a cold, cough and sore throat since September 1 and was brought to hospital with severe respiratory distress. Following a Covid-19 test, the child was intubated and admitted in the ICU. Both the lungs showed severe acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS). The child's condition deteriorated and, on September 8, she developed bradycardia (slow heart rate) and CPR resuscitation was done. But the child could not be revived.

Prior to this, on July 31, the death of an eight-year-old female child, who had steroid-dependent nephrotic syndrome and was on antibiotics and immunosuppressive agents, was reported at Vani Vilas Hospital. She also dealt with generalised oedema. She developed respiratory syndrome and after a Covid-19 test, she was shifted to Victoria Hospital on August 1. Her distress and oedema worsened, and she required six litres of oxygen. She had to then be shifted to ICU, and despite multiple attempts to save, her condition worsened and she died on August 4 with hypoxic respiratory failure.



On August 3, a 14-year-old Covid-positive child, who had symptoms of ILI, fever with hypertension and was a case of chronic kidney disease stage 5, was referred from Sagar Hospital to Victoria Hospital. She was on a ventilator, but developed arrhythmia (irregular heart beat) and died.

So far, in Karnataka, the number of deaths in the 0-9 age group has been the lowest at 65, followed by 93 deaths in the 10-19 age group and 780 deaths in the 20-29 age group. The highest number of deaths are in the 60-69 age group at 10,805.

BBMP Commissioner-Health Randeep D said, "Most of the cases of child deaths are those with comorbidities and slightly late admissions due to which their condition deteriorated. However, so far, we had minimal cases of deaths in this age group."

A member of the pediatric expert committee said, "The number of cases of children testing positive is declining and the mortality rate among children has been low. Most of the children come down with mild cases of Covid-19 and recover soon. However, parents need to be watchful as and when they develop any symptoms and report at the earliest."

TRACKING COVID-19

SPEED AND RISE OF COVID-19 CASES IN KARNATAKA

787 CASES REPORTED TODAY

TOTAL CASES AS ON DATE: TODAY 29,72,620; YESTERDAY 29,71,833

789 CASES REPORTED YESTERDAY

DEATHS: TODAY 11; YESTERDAY 23

The first Covid-19 case in Karnataka was reported on March 8, 2020. Since then until September 25, 2021, a total of 29,72,620 cases have been reported in 1 year and 200 days...

DISCHARGES: TODAY 775; YESTERDAY 1,050

Active cases

TODAY 13,307

YESTERDAY 13,306

POSITIVITY RATE

TODAY 6.31%

YESTERDAY 6.33%

The day positivity rate – 0.55% – is calculated as the number of patients testing positive out of 100 tests conducted only in a day.

MORTALITY RATE

TODAY 1.26%

YESTERDAY 1.26%

RECOVERY RATE

TODAY 98.28%

YESTERDAY 98.28%

DISTRICT-WISE COVID CASES

LAST 24 HOURS

276 BENGALURU URBAN

17 BENGALURU RURAL

Bagalkot	0
Ballari	1
Belagavi	22
Bidar	0
Chamarajanagar	6
Chikkaballapur	6
Chikkamagaluru	27
Chitradurga	7
Dakshina Kannada	127
Davanagere	1
Dharwad	6
Gadag	0
Hassan	19
Haveri	1
Kalaburagi	1
Kodagu	25
Kolar	22
Koppal	0
Mandya	9
Mysuru	65
Raichur	1
Ramanagara	2
Shivamogga	21
Tumakuru	29
Udupi	68
Uttara Kannada	27
Vijayapura	0
Yadgir	1

ALL FOR A SHOT

A health worker updates the status of Covid-19 vaccine availability outside the Dasappa UPHC in Bengaluru on Saturday | VINOD KUMAR T

64 WARDS HAVE LESS THAN 10 ACTIVE CASES

IFFATH FATHIMA @ Bengaluru

IN a heartening sign, 64 of the 198 Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) wards have 10 or less Covid-19 cases. However, three wards — Horamavu, Rajarajeshwari Nagar and Begur — have reported over 90 cases each.

Of the 7,443 active cases in Bengaluru Urban district as on September 24, there are 4,324 cases in the BBMP limits, while 442 are from Bengaluru Urban and 2,677 are from outside Bengaluru. According to officials, some of those who tested positive in Bengaluru Urban had left the city for other districts by the time their test results were out. Some others, who even knew they had tested positive, had left for their hometowns, they said.

A BBMP epidemiologist said, "Even though many wards have less number of cases, there has been movement of people and crowding in certain areas like markets. This needs to be controlled and one should not ignore Covid-appropriate behaviour (CAB)."

Data from the BBMP shows none of the wards in the city were Covid-free, but two wards — Lakshmidevi Nagar (No. 42), and Sudham Nagar (No. 118) — had one case each while Bapuji Nagar (No. 134), Padarayanpura (No. 135), Rayapuram (No. 137), Neelasandra (No. 116) and SK Garden (No. 61) had two cases each. Horamavu had 98 active cases while RR Nagar had 91 and Begur 95, the highest cases amongst all the wards. Kempegowda ward (No. 1) had 74 cases, Bellandur 74 and Uttarahalli 75 cases.

After a tiring day, a health worker feeds her colleague at a health facility in Bengaluru on Saturday | ASHISHKRISHNA HP

BBMP Commissioner-Health Randeep D said, "Right now, we are not going by ward-wise cases. We have been keeping a watch on clusters. Recently, there were clusters at nursing colleges, which we focused on so that it shouldn't spread. If more people in a family are found to be positive in apartment complexes, they are asked to move to institutional quarantine. Most of the positive patients under home isolation are mild cases, which is a good sign."

A health officer from Mahadevpura zone, which covers wards like Horamavu and Bellandur, said, "Some have construction site workers or migrant population, who have been testing positive. There are also cases of people travelling and testing positive. However, right now, the numbers are in control. Overall, the positivity rate in Mahadevpura zone is 0.55%, which is quite low."

Study: Antibodies present six months after second jab

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WHILE most healthcare workers are demanding a booster dose, an antibody test conducted on healthcare personnel at Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research, revealed that their antibodies had not waned even six months after taking the second dose. This raises questions on the need for a booster dose, or third dose, six months after the second dose.

The Department of Microbiology conducted blood tests for IgG neutralising antibody level by the Elisa method on 250 healthcare workers, who had received two doses of Covishield vaccine in February 2021. According to Jayadeva Hospital Director Dr C N Manjunath, 80% of the same group of healthcare workers showed good antibody response in the study conducted in April 2021. "When antibody tests were repeated on the same group of workers, 99% showed positive antibody response," he told *TNSE*. He said the kits used for test reference cut-off values of antibody levels more than 30% is considered as positive immune response, and 20% of workers who initially did not have a positive immune response in April showed a significant improvement in antibody levels in September 2021.

"They are called 'delayed responders'. Of these 250 workers, 19 who were Covid-infected and had taken vaccines showed the highest antibody response. Although 10 workers showed a decline in antibody levels from April to September, they remain in the positive immune response limit (4%)," he added.

COVID BYTES

Covid-19 discharges drop in Karnataka

BENGALURU: Karnataka witnessed fewer discharges of Covid-19 patients as compared to the last two weeks. The state reported 775 discharges on Saturday with the total now going up to 29,21,567. The daily discharges in the state have been between 800 and 1,670 from September 8-25. During this period, the highest number of discharges was on September 20 at 1678, followed by 1,458 on September 8 and 1,414 on September 21. Meanwhile, the state reported 787 new cases and 11 Covid-19 deaths on Saturday.

47-year-old seer dies of suspected Covid-19

Tumakuru: Head of Kuppuru Gadduge Mutt in Chikkanayanahalli taluk Sri Yatheeshwara Shivacharya Swami (47) reportedly succumbed to Covid-19 on Saturday. He was unwell for a while and was shifted to the Siddaganga Hospital in Tumakuru on Friday. As his condition deteriorated owing to severe infection in lungs, he was referred to a hospital in Bengaluru. He breathed his last while being shifted to Bengaluru. His final rites will be performed on the mutt's premises on Sunday.

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No:PCB/518/17 Cat /EPH/Indian Cane Power/2021-22/2895 Dated: 17.09.2021

ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTIFICATION

M/s. Indian Cane Power Ltd., have proposed to establish Dual feed Distillery unit of capacity 300 KLPD and 2 X 6 MW Co-generation unit at Sy. Nos. 101, 102, 116, 117, 118 and 119 in an area of 60 acres at Uttur Village, Mudhol Taluk, Bagalkot District, Karnataka.

As Per Environment Impact Assessment Notification dated: 14.09.2006 and Amendment dated: 01.12.2009, the project Proponent has to obtain prior Environmental Clearance from the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Government of India and is required to go through Environmental Public Hearing process. As per the Terms of Reference letter No. IA-J-11011/45/2021-IA-II (I) dated: 17-02-2021 and request letter of the project proponent dated: 23.08.2021 (received at Board office on 23.08.2021), the Environmental Public Hearing is being conducted by KSPCB.

The details of the project are as follows:

1. **Name of the Company & Address: M/s. Indian Cane Power Ltd.** Uttur Village, Mudhol Taluk, Bagalkot District, Karnataka.
2. **Location of the Proposed Project:** Sy. Nos. 101, 102, 116, 117, 118 and 119 at Uttur Village, Mudhol Taluk, Bagalkot District, Karnataka.
3. **Project proposed:** To establish Dual feed Distillery unit of capacity 300 KLPD and 2 X 6 MW Co-generation unit.
4. **Date, time and venue of public hearing: Date: 27.10.2021 (Wednesday) Time: 11:00 a.m. Place: At Industry premises of M/s. Indian Cane Power Ltd.** Uttur Village, Mudhol Taluk, Bagalkot District, Karnataka.
5. **Places of availability of project documents as per EIA Notification, which is kept open to public are:** (a) Office of the Deputy Commissioner, Bagalkot District, Bagalkot. (b) Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Panchayat, Bagalkot. (c) District Industries Centre, Bagalkot District. (d) Office of the Regional Officer, Regional Office, Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Bagalkot. (e) Gram Panchayath, Uttur Village. (f) Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change South Zone Office, E-3/240, Kendriya Sadan, 4th Floor, E&F Wings, 17th Main Road, 2nd Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru – 560 034. (g) **HELP DESK,** Karnataka State Pollution Control Board, Ground Floor, No.49, Parisara Bhavan, Church Street, Bengaluru – 560 001.

NOTE: Suggestions, views, comments and objections of interested bonafide residents, environmental groups and others located at project site and likely to be affected by the proposed project are invited within 30 days from the date of publication of this Notification to make oral/written/E-Mail suggestions to the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board/ Chairman, Environmental Public Hearing Committee (Deputy Commissioner, Bagalkot District) Interested public can participate in the Public Hearing at the above place. **For details please visit our Website: www.kspcb.karnataka.gov.in.**

Sd/-
Member Secretary

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public at large are hereby notified that our Client has negotiated for purchase of the Schedule Properties described here under from their owners and our Client intends to conclude the said transaction. As such any person (s) having any claim whatsoever over the Schedule Properties are hereby called upon to file their objections/claims, if any, along with supporting documents to the below mentioned address within 21 (twenty one) days from the date of theis notice. If no objections/claims are received within the said period, our client shall, as bonafide purchaser, proceed to conclude the sale transaction by paying the entire sale consideration amount and getting the sale deed/s registered in his favour.

SCHEDULE

All the piece and parcel of below mentioned survey nos. situated at Sarjapura Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Banalore Urban

Sl. No.	Owner's Name	Sy. No.	Measurement	Boundaries			
				East	West	North	South
1	Gowramma & Manjunath	139/3	1 A 07 G	137& 141	543 & Road	139/2	138
2	S.V.Srirama Reddy & Agreement Holder Prabhu Kumar	Portion 137	0 A 13 G	136	139	141	Remaining portion 137
3	R.Manjunath	Portion 137	0 A 30 G	136	139 & 138	Remaining portion	134
4	M.L. Venkatachala Naidu	136/1	0 A 11½G	144	141	142	136/2
5	K.Prakash, Rukmini S.K. & Thyagaraj S	136/2	0 A 23½G	144	141	136/1	136/3
6	Nagaraj & Udaya	136/3	0 A 12 G	144	137	136/2	134 & 135
7	M Bharathi	144/1	0 A 23 G	144/2	136	143	137 & Road
8	S.N. Subba Reddy	144/2	0 A 25 G	606	144/1	143 & 184/2	145 & 146
9	S N. Subba Reddy	Portion 606	0 A 08 G	148	144	Remaining 606	146
10	Ananda Rama Reddy	Portion 606	0 A 07 G	148	144	Remaining 606	146
11	S.N. Bubba Reddy	148/1	0 A 20 G	149	606	184 & 183	148/2
12	Rathnamma	148/2	0 A 07 G	149	606	148/1	147
13	N.T. Leelamma, Mohd. Mustafa @ Mustafa & Bhagavan Allalalappa	149	1 A 32 G	152	148	176	150
14	S.K. Lakshman	152	1 A 24 G	153	149 & Road	175	Remaining Portion of Sy. No. 159
15	Leelamma W/o Narayan	153/1	0 A 16G	165	152	174	153/2
16	Leelamma W/o Narayan	153/2	1 A 13 G	165	Remaining 153	153/1	153/3
17	S.K. Lakshman	153/2	0A 04 G	Remaining 153	152 & Road	152 & Road	Remaining Portion of 153/3
18	Mohammed Salaha	153/3	0A 19 G	165	152	154, 155, 155 & 157	Remaining Portion of 153
19	Madhuchandra	145/1	0A 12 G	145/2	175	144	125
20	Madhuchandra	145/2	0A 16 G	145/2	145/ 1& 145/4	144	125
21	R. Manjunath V. Savithramma	145/3	0A 18 G	146/1	145/2	144	125
22	Pillachaiah, Chennappa, V. Savithramma	145/4	0A 18 G	145/2	1750	145/1	125
23	R. Manjunath & V. Savithramma	146/1	0 A 28 G	145	146/2	144	146/4
24	V. Prabhu Kumar	146/2	0A 15 G	146/3	146/2	144	124 & Road
25	K. Krishna Reddy	146/3	0A 16 G	157	146/2	144	124 & Road
26	S.N. Subba Reddy & S. Narendra (name is not reflected)	147/1	1A 01 G	150	149	147/2	124
27	S. Narendra (Siddartha Reddy)	147/2	0A 08 G	150	148	144	147/1
28	Muniyappa Thimma Reddy Nagaraj	184/1	0A 14 G	183	184/2	185	606
29	N.T. Leelamma	184/2	0A 20 G	184/1	143	185	Remaining Portion of 184/2

Sd/- **G.S. Prasanna Kumar, Advocate, M/s Linc & Co.,**
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XPRESS FOCUS

St Pauls College Conferred Best Communication School

St Pauls College, Bengaluru bagged three awards at the Corporate Communication Excellence Awards 2021 in the 15th Global Communication Conclave organised by the Public Relations Council of India (PRCI) in Goa held recently.

The College received CHANAKYA AWARD for the Best Communication School (College) of the Year (National) and Annual Corporate Collateral Award for the Best Education Campaign (National) for the year 2021. Fr (Dr) Thomas MJ, Principal, ST PAULS COLLEGE and Mr Jenin Raj S, HoD, PG Department of Journalism and Mass Communication received the awards. Ms. Sharlaine Menezes, I MA Journalism and Mass Communication student of the college won Youth Blogger of the Year under the category Kautilya National Achievers Award for the Youth 2021. The awards ceremony was graced by P S Shreedharan Pillai, Governor of Goa, Dr Pramod Sawant, Chief Minister of Goa, Dr. Govind Goude, Minister for Art & Culture, Goa and M B Jayaram, Chief Mentor and Chairman Emeritus, PRCI with other dignitaries.

Dr. Pramod Sawant, Chief Minister of Goa; Mr. M B Jayaram, Chief Mentor and Chairman Emeritus PRCI; Dr. Fr. Thomas M J, Principal ST PAULS COLLEGE and Prof. Jenin Raj.S, HOD PG Dept of Journalism and Mass Communication during the award presentation

The PRCI Annual Corporate Collateral Awards is among the most esteemed event in the arena of corporate communications and is conducted to recognise and applaud excellence in talent and professional standards. For this year's event, the jury comprised of eminent professionals from the corporate sector, mass communications and media.

PRCI is a professional body that connects PR, Corporate Communication, Media, Advertising, Marketing communication and HR professionals, apart from mass communication academia and students.

St Pauls College is one of the educational undertakings of the Society of St Paul and it is affiliated to Bangalore University. It offers both graduate and undergraduate programmes with special thrust on media.

The Mysore Palace Board has increased entry fee to the Amba Vilas Palace after a gap of four years. Now, adults will have to pay ₹100 and children ₹50. Earlier, it was ₹70 and ₹30, respectively. The ticket for students that was ₹25 has been increased to ₹30

TEAM TNIE

The fire tragedy in an apartment in Devarachikkanahalli in Bengaluru on September 21 killed 2 people | EXPRESS

FIRE SAFETY CAUGHT IN A BACKDRAFT

WITH three major fire mishaps in a span of just four days, claiming the lives of four people in the state capital, the threat of fires and their prevention is top on the minds of people across Karnataka. As development works continue and more structures come up across the state, the challenges faced by the Fire and Emergency Services as well as people using the buildings (residing or working in them) to remain safe from – and prevent – fires, are significantly increasing.

As per the National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB) 2019 data, Karnataka is among those states with the highest number of fire accident deaths in the country after Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Gujarat. It has also recorded the highest number of deaths due to fires in commercial buildings (See box).

Annexe 'E' of Part IV of National Building Code of India (NBCI) gives details of fire drills and evacuation procedures for high-rises (above 15 metres in height). "Fire drills shall be conducted in accordance with the fire safety plan, at least once every three months, for existing buildings during the first two years. Thereafter, fire drills shall be conducted at least once every six months," it states. Besides, fire and life safety audits have been made mandatory once in two years by a third-party auditor for all high-rise buildings.

It also specifies that a written record of the drills "shall be kept on the premises for a period of three years and shall be readily available for fire brigade inspection."

After the horrific fire tragedy at Bengaluru's Carlton Towers on February 23, 2010, in which nine people lost their lives and more than 70 sustained injuries, the State Government amended fire safety laws following public interest litigation filed in the High Court in 2011 by Beyond Carlton, a city-based community of the victims' families, in consultation with the Karnataka State Fire and Emergency Services and Janagrahaa, a non-profit organisation.

"The High Court made it mandatory for all high-rise buildings, measuring 15 metres and above, to have a fire licence, which should be renewed every two years. There were many loopholes found in the building plans and construction. People avoid fire audits and ignore basic safety measures to cut costs," said a fire services veteran, who wished to remain anonymous.

BIG PICTURE

Fire drills, audits ignored

While housing association committees and managements of commercial/medical establishments may be blamed for oversight on this front, there are also no records maintained by the Fire Department on buildings which are overdue for such audits or drills. Building managements are then left to themselves to keep track of this in the absence of strict enforcement of procedures that need to be followed, in the form of reminders.

According to the NBCI, at least 40 per cent of the staff or residents of high-rise buildings should be trained in fire drills. But, with these drills and safety procedures falling between two stools, it is rampantly ignored, residents and fire officials admit.

For instance, when the horrendous September 21 fire tragedy in the Devarachikkanahalli in BTM Layout occurred, claiming the lives of an octogenarian and her 59-year-old daughter, several residents' association members suddenly realised that their respective fire audits and drills have remained long overdue.

A day after the Devarachikkanahalli incident, a similar incident was reported in an apartment in Vijayanagar in Mysuru due to an electric short circuit, which was averted due to timely efforts of the fire personnel. However, the incident brought to light that most of the apartment complexes, restaurants and high-rise buildings in Mysuru have not held fire safety drills in the last 18 months due to Covid-19 and the lockdowns.

"Although we have been asking a private fire safety expert to inspect our apartment and hold a day-long awareness programme to sensitise flat owners on precautions to be taken, this has not been possible due to the pandemic. Most of the apartment complexes in Mysuru do not have a completion report (CR) issued by the city corporation and violations are found everywhere. It is high time the authorities identify high-risk buildings or apartments," says Ranganath, member of an apartment welfare association in Mysuru.

Similar is the case with major hospitals and restaurants in the city. "Though our LPG service providers visit twice a year to ensure there are no leakages, a majority of the restaurants ignore these practices as they charge for inspection. Similarly, training camps must be conducted for hoteliers and the staff on responsibilities during fire mishaps and also on escaping in case of fire, which has not been held since the last two years," says a hotelier.

Helipad Rule nixed

The March 2016 amendments to Part IV of National Building Code of India (NBCI) pertaining to 'Fire & Life Safety' has put the Fire Department in a quandary while putting the onus of preventing and dealing with fires in ultra-high-rise buildings above 60 metres in height completely on the occupants.

While earlier, all buildings above 60 metres in height were mandated to have helipads atop terraces, the amendment made helipads mandatory only for those above 200 metres in height. Interestingly, even in Bengaluru – which has the tallest buildings in Karnataka so far – the tallest structure is 168 metres, which is the 52-storey Presidential Towers in Yeshwanthpur, located close to Brigade Gateways. But the amendment exempts even this relatively mammoth structure from having helipads.

Sources in the construction industry informed *TNSE* that when the rule to install helipads atop them was brought in, buildings that were taller than 60 metres in height and in the process of being constructed were built with helipads. But those helipads are of no use now. The non-utility of these helipads is also because the state's Fire Department has no helicopters, pointed out K T Balakrishna, Deputy Inspector General, Fire & Emergency Services.

To deal with fires in high-rise buildings going up to heights of 55 metres, the department is equipped with only two 54-metre ladders and two 35-metre ladders in Bengaluru, besides one 34-metre ladder each with the fire personnel in Hubballi and Mangaluru. The department has no ladders that can reach heights more than that to fight fires, leave alone evacuate the stranded.

"A tender for one 90-metre aerial ladder has already been issued and it is under fabrication," Balakrishna said, adding that it will be used in Bengaluru. If required, helicopters can be roped in from Indian Air Force or the HAL on requests from the State Government to the Centre, he added.

(With inputs from Bala Chauhan & Manju Shettar in Bengaluru, Karthik K K in Mysuru, Prakash Samaga in Udupi, Prajna G R in Madikeri and Ramkrishna Badseshi in Kalaburagi)

FIRE ACCIDENT/DEATHS

State	Residential fire cases	Deaths	Commercial fire cases	Deaths
Maharashtra	921	934	934	43
Madhya Pradesh	916	845	27	32
Gujarat	658	686	17	23
Karnataka	631	645	51	51

[Source: NCRB 2019 data]

It is incumbent upon the resident welfare associations to ensure that regular fire audits are conducted every two years and 40% of their staff is trained in fire drill. They are the first responders and can save lives. The builders wash their hands off after the sale. It is the RWAs which need to be vigilant and follow all safety protocols and guidelines. At the individual level, people should routinely get their electrical and domestic gas connections checked by professionals. These simple safety measures can go a long way in saving lives and property

Amar Pandey, DGP, Fire & Emergency Services & Commandant General, Home Guards and Civil Defence

Poor town planning, compromising on fire safety norms, leads to an unsafe environment. Poor regulation by the administration, non-visionary elected representatives and yielding to public pressure result in poor compliance with fire safety norms. There needs to be more awareness about fire-proofing buildings, installing smoke alarms, open and clear emergency exits, contingency/escape plans, and assembly points. Accumulation of rubbish and combustible material or gases stored at home etc, are the main causes of domestic fire. These need to be avoided

Dr Matpady Prabhath Kalkura, former Unicef-supported disaster risk reduction consultant

The Emergency Response Support System (ERSS) – a pan India single number **112** – has been of great use in emergency response. A call to 112 immediately alerts all the coordinating agencies like police, traffic, ambulance, fire services, etc., and the response time of fire tenders is reduced.

Karnataka has 216 fire stations of which 20, with six squads, are in Bengaluru

TO STRENGTHEN INSTITUTION

Trying to improve credibility of parliamentary democracy: Birla

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

Assembly Speaker Vishweshwara Hegde Kageri greets Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla outside Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru on Saturday | VINOD KUMAR T

LOK Sabha Speaker Om Birla on Saturday said they are trying to improve the efficacy and credibility of parliamentary democracy. A comprehensive action plan will be prepared during the Presiding Officers' Conference to be held in Shimla from October 26 to 28, he said. Speaking to the media here, he expressed concerns over diminishing standards of discipline, decorum and decency in legislatures.

"Naturally, the ruling party has more responsibility... but opposition members too have equal responsibility as they should discuss and debate in the House instead of causing disturbance," he said, responding to a question on who is responsible for lack of discussion on important issues.

Differences and disagreements help strengthen a democracy, but all debates must be held with discipline and dignity and all parties must make an effort, he added.

Birla said they endeavour to make democratic institutions more vibrant and pro-people and hold discussions with chief ministers and other stakeholders.

A committee of Assembly Speakers, constituted by the Lok Sabha Speaker, has already submitted a report on Speakers' powers in deciding matters related to Anti-Defection Law. "It states that Speakers should not have unlimited powers in matters related to Anti-Defection Law and their role has to be clearly defined. We will discuss it in Shimla and if the report is adopted at the conference, we will give a report to the Union Government and urge it to make appropriate changes in the law. Perhaps for the first time, a committee consisting of Speakers is recommending that they should not have unlimited powers," he added. Birla said Parliament is committed to empower Panchayat Raj institutions and strengthen the democracy at the grassroots. It is also taking measures for capacity building of people's representatives through PRIDE, an institution of Parliament.

In the next six months, the Parliament library will have a database on all important debates that can be accessed by elected representatives. Parliament and state Assembly libraries too will be connected and all information will be available on one platform, he said. The new Parliament building will be ready by October 2022, he added.

'NEP will give good results'

On the National Education Policy (NEP), he said as presiding officers, their mandate is not just to bring a policy or a Bill, but to ensure debates on all policies and Bills.

"Karnataka is the first to introduce NEP and there was a debate in which leaders of all parties took part. Now that it has been implemented, it will give good results," he added.

Kageri defends inviting Birla

Assembly Speaker Vishweshwar Hegde Kageri defended the decision to invite Om Birla to address the joint session of the legislature. "Lok Sabha speakers have addressed members of assemblies in many states on many occasions and it is not new as claimed by them (Congress leaders)," he said.

Members of the Madiga community submit a memorandum to CM Bommai in Tumakuru on Saturday

JDS workers in Tumakuru corner CM over rape case

ENS @ Tumakuru

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai faced embarrassing moments during his visit to Tumakuru on Saturday after JDS workers tried to gherao him for the government's alleged failure in solving the Tumakuru rape-murder case. The 30-year-old woman's body was found at a hillock in Chotasabarapalya on August 24.

Supporters of Tumakuru Rural MLA DC Gowrishankar led by one Belagumba Venkatesh tried to present a memorandum in connection with the horrific rape-murder to the chief minister. They were, however, not allowed to meet Bommai as a precautionary measure. The JDS workers, however, managed to get into the Inspection Bungalow premises and raised slogans against the State Government.

Meanwhile, members of the Tigala community, to which the victim belong to, presented a memorandum to Bommai.

Meanwhile, members of the Madiga community presented a memorandum to Bommai demanding that the government notify the SC quota recommended by the Justice Sadashiva Commission. When Bommai left without responding to their demand, they raised slogans against him.

EXPRESS READ

Kumaraswamy, Siddaramaiah trade barbs over caste census report

BENGALURU: JDS leader HD Kumaraswamy has once again hit out at Congress Legislature Party leader Siddaramaiah over the caste census report. Saying that the survey was yet to be completed during his tenure as the CM, Siddaramaiah accused Kumaraswamy of not releasing the final report during the JDS-Congress coalition government. Rubbishing Siddaramaiah's charges in a series of tweets, Kumaraswamy said that the former has become a master in telling lies and misleading people. "When I was the CM, Siddaramaiah was chairing the coalition coordination committee. Why didn't he raise the issue of caste census report then and show courage of discussing it?" Kumaraswamy rued. He further questioned Siddaramaiah as to why he did not raise the issue in the 10-day legislature session that culminated on September 24. ENS

SCHOOLS TO REMAIN OPEN

Bengaluru: The Associated Managements of Primary and Secondary Schools in Karnataka (KAMS), the largest association of private schools in the state, will show solidarity with the farmers by extending support to the Bharat Bandh on Monday. In a video, association president Shashikumar said that students have already missed out on classes owing to the Covid pandemic and hence schools will remain open. "But the association wants to inform that we are with the farmers and express complete solidarity...," he said. The staffers will wear green-coloured clothes and/or green badges as a mark of support.ENS

Farmers plan rally in B'luru, CM denounces Bharat Bandh

ENS @ Bengaluru, Mysuru

MEMBERS of farmers associations in the state are likely to block traffic on national highways and other roads and take out a procession in Bengaluru on Monday in support of Bharat Bandh to protest against the new farm laws. Traffic in Bengaluru is likely to be hit.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai has, however, disapproved of the bandh call saying it is not correct to resort to such a measure at a time when people are recovering from the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Karnataka Rajya Raitha Sangha president Kodihalli Chandrashekar said that they have decided to stage protest demonstrations across the state to protest against the new farm laws. In Bengaluru, farmers, fruits and vegetable vendors will take out a padayatra from KR Puram Market to Town Hall. From Town Hall, they will join members of various farmers organisations, who will take out a procession to Mysuru Bank Circle. Close to 8,000-10,000 people are likely to take part.

AAP backs bandh

The Aam Aadmi Party on Saturday has extended support to the Bharat Bandh. AAP media coordinator GR Vidyaranya said that the new farm laws will help only a section of businessmen who fund the BJP in elections and to carry out 'Operation Lotus' to lure opposition legislators. Meanwhile, farmers led by Karnataka State Sugarcane Growers' Association president Kurubur Shanthakumar protested wearing shorts to create awareness about the bandh among people.

KSRTC MD has written to all depot managers and regional controllers to take help of police to protect properties of the corporation as there are chances of stone pelting on buses.

BACK TO ROOTS

It is that time of the year again, when khadi is the flavour

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @Bengaluru

HUMBLE khadi, interwoven with India's freedom struggle, is back in favour of political parties ahead of Gandhi Jayanti. Trying to push up the sales of the garment, Karnataka Small-Scale Industries Minister MTB Nagaraj has appealed to all elected representatives, including ministers, to buy khadi products from Khadi Gramodyog stores to help weavers who are in distress due to the pandemic and lockdowns. Political parties too are asking their workers to buy khadi products.

Khadi, launched in 1920 as a form of protest against the British by Mahatma Gandhi, was the favoured garment of politicians but has lost favour over the years.

Nagaraj has written a detailed letter to Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, Speaker Vishveshwara Hegde Kageri, Council Chairman Basavaraj Horatti, ministers, MLA and MLCs asking them to visit Khadi Bhandars on Gandhi Jayanti Day on October 2 and purchase items to revive khadi organisations and fulfil Mahatma Gandhi's dream.

Khadi and Gramodyog stores, which were set up to strengthen Gandhi's idea of Gram Swarajya, are not making any profit. There are over 200 weaving organisations in Karnataka where over 20,000 weavers work.

Kageri said, "I will discuss it with political parties to see if all members can wear khadi one day in every session to help the weavers."

BJP members in the State have started Khadi Abhiyan to mark Narendra Modi's 20 years in power (he was sworn in as chief minister of Gujarat October 7, 2001), senior MLC and BJP State General Secretary N Ravikumar told The New Sunday Express. "We are urging every BJP party worker to buy khadi," he said.

Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee working president Saleem Ahmed said it is not new for them as the Congress manual mentions that khadi should be given preference. "BJP members are giving khadi a push as they seem not to know its value till now," he added.

The Halasuru police have arrested a 26-year-old drug peddler, and seized 2 kg ganja worth Rs 24 lakh. The accused Buddaram Chokaram hails from Rajasthan, He had come to the city a few months ago and lost his job during the pandemic.

Inspired by movie, realtor hatched plot to murder wife

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A realtor, who suspected his wife's fidelity, drew inspiration from the 1993 thriller movie 'Baa Nalle Madhuchandrake' to hatch a plot to eliminate her. On Wednesday, he slit her throat at their residence in Aarogya Layout and escaped. But the law caught up and Annapurneshwarinagar police arrested 39-year-old realtor Kantharaju on Friday.

The police said that Kantharaju, who is also a moneylender, suspected the fidelity of his wife Roopa (34) and quarrelled with her frequently. He confessed to the police that after watching 'Baa Nalle...", where the lead character takes his wife to the Himalayas, pushes her from the top of a hill and makes it look like an accident, he hatched a similar plot.

Roopa and her husband Kantharaju

A few months ago, Kantharaju took his wife along with his friends to Jog Falls and tried to push her from the hill. Roopa managed to escape with minor injuries, but she did not reveal this to anyone. A few days later, he tried crashing into her while reversing the car. But she moved away immediately and the car banged into the compound wall.

A month ago, he took Roopa to Dharmasthala where Roopa tried to convince him that she had no extra-marital affair and he made her promise before Lord Manjunatha. But he continued to be suspicious of her and kept checking her phone.

On Wednesday evening, he picked a quarrel with Roopa and in a fit of rage, slit her throat. He then locked the door from outside and fled. Their eight-year-old son, who returned home from the tuition, found his mother lying in a pool of blood and informed his grandparents who alerted the police.

Kantharaju told the police that he went to Hassan to dispose of the knife that he used to kill Roopa. He had thought that if the murder weapon is not found, the police would not be able to trace him. He threw the knife in a river, went to Dharmasthala, shaved his head, and confessed before God. He returned to the city on Friday and the police arrested him.

10 HIGH COURT JUDGES TAKE OATH

Ten additional judges, who were elevated as permanent judges of the Karnataka High Court, took the oath of office on Saturday, which was administered by Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot. The new appointees are Justices Maralur Indrakumar Arun, Engalaguppe Seetharamaiah Indiresh, Ravi Venkappa Hosmani, Savanur Vishwajith Shetty, Shivashankar Amarannavar, Makkimane Ganeshaiah Uma, Vedavyasachar Srishananda, Hanchate Sanjeevkumar, Padmaraj Nemachandra Desai, and Panjigadde Krishna Bhat. Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, Chief Secretary P Ravi Kumar and Acting Chief Justice Satish Chandra Sharma attended the event | EXPRESS

Property row claims a life

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A realtor hacked to death by a gang of five in Avalahalli police limits on Saturday. The incident occurred in broad daylight and was captured on CCTV cameras in the vicinity.

The deceased has been identified as Kulla Venkatesh, a resident of Margondanahalli.

A senior police officer said the incident took place in the afternoon when Venkatesh was on the way to his office on his bike. The gang came in an auto rickshaw and attacked him with lethal weapons, and fled. Police suspect some property dispute behind the murder.

CRIME PATROL

Undertrial dies at Chikkaballapur jail

Chikkaballapur: An undertrial reportedly died at the Chikkaballapur Jail on Saturday. According to sources, Nagesh (26) was arrested on charges of murdering a girl, and was lodged in the jail for the last three years, as he faced trial. Police said Nagesh reportedly overdosed on pills that he had stored after seeking them from the jail authorities for fever and body ache. However, the postmortem will reveal the exact cause of death, police added.

Techie drowns in Jakkalamadugu Dam waters

Chikkaballapur: A 23-year-old techie, employed at a Bengaluru-based MNC, drowned in the reservoir of the Jakkalamadugu Dam here while attempting to swim in it. According to Chikkaballapur SP GK Mithun Kumar, the deceased has been identified as Rohith, who was visiting the district with his friends for a birthday party on Friday. Rohith and the others, none of whom could swim, went to the dam. Rohith took a dip in the reservoir, and drowned. His body was retrieved on Saturday.

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Appointment of Principal
Refer newspaper advertisement for appointment of Principal at Army Institute of Management, Kolkata issued on 08th September, 2021.
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PRESS NOTE
The Karnataka State Rural Development and Panchayat Raj University, Gadag, invites applications for Temporary Full-Time Guest Faculty / Project Fellow from the eligible candidates on contract basis to teach the U.G. Programme as per NET-2020 and existing P.G.Programmes in the University during the academic year 2021-22. Applications form along with their CV and supporting documents shall reach the **Registrar, Karnataka State Rural Development and Panchayat Raj University, Gadag-582 101, on or before 08.10.2021.** Interviews for the eligible candidates will be conducted at KSRDPR University, Gadag. For details of qualifications etc, please visit the University website: **www.ksrdpru.ac.in**
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SOUTHERN RAILWAY
PALGHAT DIVISION
E-Tender Notice No. PGT/OT/09/2021, Dated: 24.09.2021
Sr. Divisional Engineer / Co-ordination/ Southern Railway / Palakkad invites E- Tenders for the following works

Sl. No	Name of Work	Approxi-mate Cash Value (in Lakhs)
1	1) Senior Section Engineer / Works / Kannur Section: Brightening up of staff quarters station building and service buildings in Senior Section Engineer/ Works /Kannur section. 2) Improvements and maintenance works of staff Quarters, Service buildings Platform shelter, bridges etc. Senior Section Engineer/ Works/Kannur Section.	81.41
2	1) Brightening up of staff quarters, station building, service buildings, Platform shelter and Jungle clearance at Assistant Divisional Engineer/ Mangalore sub section. 2)Mangalore – Improvements to Railway quarters, Service buildings, stations building, under Senior Section Engineer/ Works / Mangalore section. 3)Repairs and maintenance attention to the minor bridges Assistant Divisional Engineer/ Mangalore sub division -Bridge works	150.30
3	Senior Section Engineer / Permanent Way/ Kannur section: Proposed attention to track between Kannur -Payangadi stations (Km 753.840 – 775.650)	100.89
4	Senior Section Engineer / Permanent Way/ Payyanur Section: Proposed attention to track between Payangadi- Kanhangad stations (Km 775.650 – 821.600)	95.00
5	Senior Section Engineer / Permanent Way/Kasaragod section: Proposed attention to track between Kanhangad – Manjeshwar stations (Km 821.600 – 871.300)	82.94
6	Senior Section Engineer / Permanent Way / Mangalore section: Proposed attention to track between Manjeshwar – Mangalore stations (Km 871.300 – 887.500)	97.41
7	Palakkad -Repairs to floor of Senior Divisional Finance Manager / Office / Palakkad and repairs to toilets in Divisional Office (4 Units)	20.82
8	Provision of additional height gauge at Road Under Bridge No. 528 at Km 495/900 -496/00 at Madukarai Yard -Height gauge as per Drg. No. TI/DRG/CIV/HGAUGE/RDSO/ 00002/05/0	13.24
9	Palakkad Junction Deweeding and maintaining Railway colony, stations and Divisional office premises free unwanted vegetations, bushes, small trees of girth less than 30 cms, for a period of one year	9.27

Tender Closing date 15.00 hrs on:
Sl No. 1 to 6: 11.10.2021 and Sl No. 7 to 9: 20.10.2021
Completion Period in Months:
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(for Immovable property)
Whereas the authorised officer of Central Bank of India under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 andin exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (2) read with rule (3) of the security interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued demand notice dated 07.07.2021calling upon the
Borrower : M/s Luxrus Ceramic Solutions Pvt Ltd Represented by its Directors 1. Mrs. Manimozhi Ulaganathan w/o Mr. Parthiban Palanivel and 2. Mr. Parthiban Palanivel S/o Chinnagounder Palanivel No: 23, Opp. N.M.D.C Government office, Kanakapura, main road, Basavanagudi, Bangalore-560004
Director and Guarantor : Mrs. ManimozhiUlaganathan w/o Parthiban Palanivel Director: Luxrus Ceramic Solutions Pvt Ltd, Door No. 5, Muthukallipatty (P.O) Rasipuram(TK), Namakkal Dt-637401 Tamilnadu **Current Address:** 359, 4th Cross, South Avenue Layout, Gottigere (v), Bangalore -560083
Director and Guarantor: Mr. Parthiban Palanivel S/o Chinnagounder Palanivel Director: Luxrus Ceramic Solutions Pvt Ltd, Door No. 5, Muthukallipatty (P.O) Rasipuram(TK), Namakkal Dt-637401 Tamilnadu **Current Address:** 359, 4th Cross, South Avenue Layout, Gottigere (v), Bangalore 560083 to pay the amount mentioned in the notices being **Rs. 4,01,69,461.00 (**Rupees Four Crore One Lakh Sixty Nine Thousand Four Hundred and Sixty One only) due to us as on 06.07.2021,with subsequent interest at contracted rate and rests borrowed through our branch, within 60 days from the date of the receipt of the said notice. The borrower and/ or guarantor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and/or guarantor in the scheduled security and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below the exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement rules, 2002 on 21.09.2021
The borrowers and /or guarantor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA, Hosur Branch for an amount of Rs. 4,01,69,461.00 (Rupees Four Crore One Lakh Sixty Nine Thousand Four Hundred and Sixty One only), due to us as on 06.07.2021,and interest and costs thereon.
The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section(8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.
DETAILS/DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTIES:
All Part and parcel of the following properties:
Schedule A:
Katha No. 1579/4196/279 Old Nos. 1579/276/279+ 1576/4197/280+ 1567/4198/281 sites No. 279,280 and 281 3702 sq ft., (975+1249+1478) Within the limits of Bruhuth Bangalore Mahanagar palike, Anjanapura Sub division, Ward no.194 layout known as South Avenue, Gottigere village Uttarahalli hobli Bangalore South Taluk bounded on:
East by : Park **West by** : Site no 282
North by: Road **South by** : Private property
Schedule B:
i. Flat bearing Katha No. 1579/4196/279/F-1, Constructed on First Floor of Schedule A Property having super Built-up area of 2600 Sqft, and Un-divided share of 1149 Sq.ft. in Schedule A Property, along with Car Parking in the Stlit floor, in the residential building by name " MADURA YUGO"
ii. Flat bearing Katha No. 1579/4196/279, Constructed on First Floor of Schedule A Property having super Built-up area of 3000 Sqft, and Un-divided share of 1332Sq.ft. in Schedule A Property, along with Car Parking in the Stlit floor, in the residential building by name " **MADURA YUGO"**
The above Property belongs to Mrs. ManimozhiUlaganathan
Date: 21.09.2021 **AUTHORISED OFFICER/CHIEF MANAGER**
Place: Hosur **CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA**

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WHEREAS, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the Punjab National Bank, SASTRA, Bengaluru – East, under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 read with the security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued Demand Notice calling upon the Borrowers mentioned below to repay the dues within 60 days from the date of notice/date of receipt of the said notice.
The Borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/s /guarantors/mortgagors and the public in general that the undersigned has taken the possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the said act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 as stated herein below.
The borrower/s in particular and public in general is hereby **cautioned not to deal** with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Punjab National Bank**, for an amount mentioned below with further interest and expenses thereon.
The borrowers/ guarantors/mortgagors attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-Section (8) of the section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

S. No.	Name of the Borrowers/ Guarantors/ Mortgagors	Date of Demand / Possession & Amount Due	Description of Properties
1.	Borrower : Mr Bharteesha and Mrs Smitha Guarantor : Mr T V Kumar	27.05.2021 / 21.09.2021 as on 31.03.2021 Rs.61,32,473.00 and further interest and other expenses from 01.04.2021	Flat No G1, Ground Floor, **Neha Mahal** at site 16/18 and 16/19, 4th Main Road, Chinnayananpalya, Lakkasandra Extension, 9th Main, 15th Cross, Ward No.62, Bangalore-560030 and bounded for **Survey No.16/18 : East by :** corporation compound, **West by :** Road, Ayesha khatoon property and corporation property, **North by :** 7th A Main and **South by :** Conservancy. **Survey No.16/19 : East by :** Share of Mohd Sheriff, Property No.16/20, **West by** : Share of Halima bi Property No.16/18, **North by :** Private property and **South by :** Corporation compound.
2.	Borrower : Mrs Mangalamma, Mrs S Gnaneswari and Mr. S Mahesh kumar	29.05.2021 / 21.09.2021 as on 30.04.2021 Rs.21,61,764.00 and further interest and other expenses from 01.05.2021	EM over site No19/A of 1200 sq feet (E-W 60' and N-S:20') 12th Cross, Road, CMC Khatha No.53/1:19/A, BBMP S No.1020/53/1/19A at Javre Gowda Nagar, Hosekerehalli, Uttarahalli Hobil, Bangalore - 560 098 along with 4 storied House (Ground + 3 floors). Land measuring (E-W : 60 feet and N-S : 20 feet. Land bounded on the **East by :** Site No.18, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Site No.19 and **South by :** Site No.20.
3.	Borrower : Mr M Ramakrishna and Mrs. Chandramma	17.05.2021 / 21.09.2021 as on 31.03.2021 Rs.14,03,550.00 and further interest and other expenses from 01.04.2021	House Property with Aggregate Built Up Area of 3075 Sq feet (Ground, First and Second Floor) over land of 1400 square feet. Property No.09, Old Khata No.36/4, New BBMP No.36/4/9-946 known as Sri Lakshmi Nilaya, Chuncha gatta Main Road, Opp Srinidhi Sreenivasa Temple, Old Bank Colony, Konanakunte Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore – 560 062. Land is bounded on the **East by :** Chunchaghatta Main Road, **West by :** Remaining Portion, **North by :** Road and **South by :** Property of Ramamurthy.
4.	Borrower : Shri Nandan Gowda J, S/o Jayaram K L & Smt Vijetha B S, W/o Shri Nandan Gowda J. Guarantor : Shri Somanna C K, S/o Kariappa	01.06.2021 / 21.09.2021 as on 30.04.2021 Rs.62,98,195.00 and further interest and other expenses from 01.05.2021	EM over 2 BHK Flat No.FF-3, **"ARHANT MSR NEEPA"** Apartments, I Floor of 1400 Sq.ft along with undivided share of 240 s ft situated Site No. 34 (Old no. 217/213/21/1) bearing BBMP Khata No.217/213/21/34, New PID No.187-W0157-6. bounded on **East By :** Site Nos. 41 and 42, **West By :** Road, **North By :** Site No 33 and **South By :** Site No 36 and Adjoining Site No. 41 (Old No 214/210/21/2) bearing No.187 situated at Puttenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore - 560078.
5.	Borrower : Smt Manjula G H & Sri Shivananje Gowda Guarantor : Sri.Lakshman Lamani	31.05.2021 / 21.09.2021 as on 30.04.2021 Rs.11,23,058.56 and further interest and other expenses from 01.05.2021	All that piece and parcel of Site No.1, Situated at Nayandahalli Grama, Khata No 23/1, BMP Ward No 39, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 40 feet and bounded on **East by :** Kempanna's Property, **West by :** Other's Property, **North by :** Road and **South by :** Venkatappa's Property.
6.	Borrower : Mrs Nalini M, W/o Balachandra	27.05.2021 / 21.09.2021 as on 30.04.2021 Rs.17,97,772.06 and further interest and other expenses from 01.05.2021	EM over Flat bearing No.G4, Ground Floor, **SAPTAGIRI ENCLAVE**, East Block, with a super built up area of 1278 sq ft along with undivided share of 316 sq ft within land bearing Khata No.23, Old Khata No.888/1 of Thayappa Garden, Bilekahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South 560076 & bounded on **East by :** Property of Thyagaraju and Road, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Remaining portion of the same property and **South by :** Property of Mr B T Subramanyam.
7.	Borrower : Shri Shyamsunder Kanta, S/o Shri Manik Kanta Guarantor : Shri C Anandaraj	01.06.2021 / 21.09.2021 as on 30.04.2021 Rs.60,86,889.00 and further interest and other expenses from 01.05.2021	EM over 2 BHK Flat No TF-3, **"ARHANT MSR NEEPA"** Apartments, III Floor of 1400 sft along with undivided share of 240 s ft situated Site No. 34 (Old no. 217/213/21/1) bearing BBMP Khata No.217/213/21/34, New PID No.187-W0157-6. bounded on the **East By :** Site Nos.41 and 42, **West By :** Road, **North By :** Site No.33 and **South By :** Site No.36 and adjoining Site No.41 (Old No.214/210/21/2) bearing BBMP Khata No. 214/214/210/21/2/41, New PID No187-W0157-5, Ward No.187 situated at Puttenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore-560 078.
8.	Borrower : Mr Abhishek Rajshekar	19.05.2021 / 22.09.2021 as on 31.03.2021 Rs.81,69,229.00 and further interest and other expenses from 01.04.2021	Flat No.505, 4th Floor, with super built up area of 1360 sq ft and UDS of 625 sq ft and Flat No.307, 2nd Floor, with super built up area of 1360 sq ft and UDS of 625 sq.ft Purple Woods, Sy No.40/1,40/2 Varanasi @ Jinkethimmanahalli Village, Tambhuchetti Post, Bidarahalli, Bangalore East Taluk. Land is bounded on the **East by :** Property of Chamaraj, **West by :** Property of Ramachandrappa, **North by :** Road and **South by :** Property of J C Narayanappa.
9.	Borrower : Mr Ravi M and Mrs Rekha L	21.05.2021 / 22.09.2021 as on 31.03.2021 Rs.23,90,498.00 and further interest and other expenses from 01.04.2021	Em over Flat No.2, Ground Floor with super built up area of 1000 sq ft in **N M Paradise** along with one covered car parking plus UDS 316.40 sq ft at New Municipal No. 7/1, PID No 83-277-7/1, 4th Main Road, Gurukamanthan Palya, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk - 560075. **Land is bounded on the East by :** Apartment of Kempanna and Karagappa, **West by :** Property of Papanna, **North by :** Road and **South by :** House of Smt Muniyamma. **Flat is bounded on the East by :** Corridor, **West by :** Open to sky, **North by :** Stairs and Flat No.G-1 and **South by :** Open to Sky.
10.	Borrower : Mr Syed Aarif Pasha and Mr Syed Irfan Guarantor : Mr. Abdul Raqeeb Ahmed	27.05.2021 / 22.09.2021 as on 31.03.2021 Rs.33,07,768.00 and further interest and other expenses from 01.04.2021	All that part and parcel of the premises along with the building and fixtures standing thereon and bearing Old No.199 to 204, New No.56 to 61, BBMP PID No.80/11/56 to 80/11/61, situated at Thimmaiah Road, BBMP Ward No.80, Bangalore. measuring East to West 86 feet 2 inches and North to South :15 feet and bounded on the **East by :** Road, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Private property and **South by :** Thimmaiah Road.
11.	Borrower : Mr Ramesh Ningappa	20.05.2021 / 22.09.2021 as on 30.04.2021 Rs.45,88,209.09 and further interest and other expenses from 01.05.2021	All that piece and parcel Residential Property (Southern Portion) No. 278, Khata No. 395, Assessment No 130 to 132, 7th Main Road, Herohalli Village, BBMP Ward No. 72, Yeshwantpur Hobli, Bangalore 560091. East to West 40 ft and North to South 15 ft and bounded on the **East by :** Site No.287, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Remaining Portion of the same property belonging to Kempanna and **South by :** Site No.279.
12.	Borrower : Mrs. D Kalavathi and Shri M Dhanasekar	29.05.2021 / 22.09.2021 as on 31.03.2021 Rs.37,52,320.63 and further interest and other expenses from 01.04.2021	EM over land of 1432 sq feet (East 73 feet, West 64 feet, North 43 feet & South 40 feet) and building at 17/1, New Site No.43, 52 and 53 (Old Khata No.363 later 528) at B Narayanapura, Mahdevpura, Bangalore - 560 016. Land bounded on the **East by :** 25' Road, **West by :** Site No.44, **North by :** Land of Gurumurthy Reddy and **South by :** Southern Portion of Site No.42, 52 and 53.

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If any person/s have any manner of right, title, interest or claim or charge or lien over the Schedule property or otherwise have any lawful objection/s for sale of the Schedule property by the aforesaid owner, they are hereby called upon to file their objections in writing, along with the photocopies of documents on which they rely, with the undersigned, within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice. Objection/s received thereafter will not be binding on my clients.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of an immoveable property bearing Municipal New No.20 (old No.350/20 & 350/20-1, BDA site No.352), PID No.62-112-20, measuring East to West 80 ft and North to South 50 ft, in all measuring 4000 Sq.ft, situated at 8th Cross, Wilson Garden, Bangalore and bounded on:

East by : 8th Cross
West by : Property bearing No.355
North by : Property bearing No.351/21
South by : Property bearing No.349/19

Sd/- S.F. Goutam Chand,
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Basavanagudi, Bengaluru – 560 004.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the public that, my client Sri. Nagaraj D S/o Late Subharao, aged about 38 years, R/at No. 137, 1st Main Road, Nellurapuram, Bengaluru 560 075, had purchased the Site No. 167, measuring East to West 21 feet and North to South 19 feet in all totally measuring 399 Sq.ft., with Ground Floor, First Floor, Second Floor, is situated at Nellurapuram, Bengaluru, K R Puram Hobli, Bangalore and bounded on : East By : Passage, West By : Passage, North By : Private property belongs to Lingamaiah,, South By : Road, from Mr. Mahendra Babu S/o Sri Jayanna, aged about 33 years, R/at No 167, Nellurapuram, Bengaluru 560 075. Mr. Mahendra Babu had obtained loan from Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd., and he has executed registered mortgaged deed dated 14/03/2017 as Document No. BNS-1-16494-2016-17 at the Sub Registrar of Banasavadi in-faour to Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd.,. After clear said loan the Equitas Small Finance Bank Ltd. executed discharge deed dated 06/10/2018 by Document No. 11158/2018-19 at The Sub Registrar of Banasavadi in-favour of Mahendra Babu. This both documents are Mahendra Babu handed over to my client at the time of execution of sale deed and these documents are misplaced in client's home, hence this paper publication. Since from the purchase of the property my client is absolute owner and he is in peaceful passion of the property. Thereafter My client had never executed any sale deed, sale agreement, not mortgage to any bank or financial intuitions', hence if anybody including financial intuitions' claiming to have any right, title or interest on the property should forward their objection to me along with their documents within 7 days, from the date of publication of this notice, failing which my client will be absolute owner and no lien against aforesaid property.

SURENDRA N., Advocate
No.216, Sri Maruthi Nilaya, 1st Floor,
4th Cross, Cubbonpet, Bengaluru - 560002.
Mobile No. 9742485252

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client is intending to purchase the schedule property from its lawful owner Sri. Bhawarlal Jain S/o Late Dalchand Jain, aged about 70 years, residing at No.12, 18th Cross, Cubbonpet, Bangalore-560 002, who claims that he is the owner of Schedule Property and in this regard my client is intending to purchase the schedule property.

Any person/s, having any right, claim, interest, charge, lien, over the schedule property may file their objections to the undersigned in writing with supporting documents within 10 days from the date of this publication. If no such objections or claims are received within the said period, my client will proceed to purchase the schedule property and the claims received after the said period will not be considered.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of Residential Property Bearing No. 12, BBMP Property ID No. 28-35-12, 18th Cross, Cubbonpet, Bangalore - 560 002, measuring East Side 11.6", West Side 32.6", North Side 41 feet, and South Side 35.6" together with new building thereon consisting of Stilt, Ground, First, Second and Third Floors measuring 3000 Sq.ft built up area, which is bounded on:

East by : Private Property,
West by : 18th Cross,
North by : Road,
South by : Private Property.

M/s. R. RAMESH & ASSOCIATES
Advocates & Solicitors,
No. 14, SRR Building, 3rd Floor, 9th Cross, Cubbonpet, Bangalore - 560 002.
Mobile No. 98453 96843
Office: 080 4219 2030 Date: 25/09/2021

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APPENDIX - IV (RULE-8(1)
POSSESSION NOTICE (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)

Where as, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Indian Bank** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a **demand notice dated 03.07.2021** Calling upon the borrower **M/s. Amber Techno Solutions** represented by proprietor **Mr. Sudhakar Reddy G (Borrower)** and **Swetha RA (Mortgagor-cum-Guarantor)** with our **Cantonment Branch** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.33,03,518/- (in words Thirty Three Lac Three Thousand Five Hundred Eighteen only)** and interest thereon till the date of repayment within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has **taken possession** of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with rule 8 and 9 of the said rules on this **22nd day of September of the year 2021.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the Indian Bank for an amount of **Rs.33,03,518.00 (in words Thirty Three Lac Three Thousand Five Hundred Eighteen only)** and interest thereon. We draw attention to the provisions of Section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act and the Rules framed there under which deals with your rights of redemption over the securities.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that part and parcel of residential building located in "Sri Vinayaka Enclave", Flat No. S-4, Second Floor, Property bearing site No.39 Khata No.251/1A, 4th Main, NRI layout, Kalkere Village, Ramamurthynagar, K R Puram, Hobli, Bengaluru-560016 measuring super built area of 970 sqft. And 250 sqft undevided share in the land including proportionate share in common area. **Property Bounded: On the East by:** Site No.38, **On the West by:** Road (Conservancy), **On the North by:** Road, **On the South by:** Site No.40.

Date: 22.09.2021 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Indian Bank, Cantonment Branch**

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The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has **taken possession** of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with rule 8 and 9 of the said rules on this **21st day of September of the year 2021.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Indian Bank** for an amount of **Rs.6,30,103.00** and interest thereon. We draw attention to the provisions of Section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act and the Rules framed there under which deals with your rights of redemption over the securities.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that part and parcel of residential building being Municipal New No. 99/2 situated at St John Church Road, Bangalore Coporation Division 87, Civil Station, Bangalore-560005, East 22ft , West 23ft 65 inches, North 22ft and 1.6 inchess, South 57 ft in all measuring total of 1240sqft and **Property Bounded: On the East by:** Cross Road, **On the West by:** Premises No.98, 7, and 4ft open space, **On the North by:** Premises No.101, **On the South by:** Property belonging to Nawab and Pyarejan bearing No.99 and 99/1.

Date: 21.09.2021 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Indian Bank, Cantonment Branch**

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Works Branch, Madurai Division
Tender Notice No.MDU-W-09-2021 dated 24.09.2021

e-tenders are invited for the following works by the Divisional Railway Manager / works / Southern Railway / Madurai. Tender closing date for Item No.1 to 09 is on 18.10.2021 at 14.00 hrs.

Sl. No	Name of Work	Approx Value Rs. In Lakhs	Period of completion
1	S.W-I Senior section Engineer / Permanent way / Dindigul section:- Renewal of existing block joints with glued joints – 30 joints from Km:- 423.900 to 433.200 in between stations Tamaraipadi and Dindigul, & S.W-II Through Rail renewal in Points and Crossings (CS+CMSC) of 2 sets of 1 in 12 and 1 set of 1 in 8.5 with new 52/60kg rails including fittings in Madurai and Kudalnagar stations in Senior Section Engineer/P.Way/ MG/Madurai section	14.20	6 Months
2	Madurai – Manamadurai section: Proposed renewal of existing non-standard Level Crossing sleepers with standard Level Crossing sleepers at isolated locations in between stations Tiruppachetti and Manamadurai in Senior Section Engineer /P.way/Manamadurai section	12.69	6 Months
3	Tirunelveli Junction – Provision of additional two stores in multilevel parking	54.64	8 Months
4	Dindigul – Madurai (UP line) Section: Maintenance of Permanent way between Km: 439.300 to 494.000 In between stations Dindigul and Madurai including Madurai yard for a length of 58.40 kms to Madurai / BG P.way section	52.04	6 Months
5	Divisional Engineer / Central / MDU Jurisdiction – Development of circulating area at Madurai East and Sholavandan, Parking area at Manamadurai and approach road at Sholavandan, Kudalnagar, Samayanallur stations	32.42	6 Months
6	Madurai Jn. – Maintenance of water pipeline system in Madurai Railway colony except old colony, station and pit line for the period of Two years	39.08	24 Months
7	Zonal place work contract – Zone A4 Sivaganga P.way section for the period from 1.7.2021 to 30.6.2022	47.84	12 Months
8	MADURAI DIVISION: Assistant Divisional Engineer / Sengottai sub Division – Improvements and Standardisation of Manned LC's in Senior Section Engineer/P.Way/Punalur section	96.92	8 Months
9	Senior Section Engineer / Permanent Way / Palani section: Hiring of TATA – 407 / similar vehicle for the maintenance of track and bridges in between stations Oddanchatram and Pollachi for a period of two years	14.98	24 Months

Further details are available in detail on website **https://www.ireps.gov.in**. The tenderer(s) / Contractor(s) to apply for e-tender for works in Madurai Division, need to get enrolled in the e-tender portal **www.ireps.gov.in** and only online tenders will be accepted.

It is the responsibility of the tenderer to check any Corrigendum issued for any correction or modification uploaded subsequently in the website, the same shall be taken into account while submitting Tender.

Divisional Railway Manager (Works), Madurai

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Public is hereby inform that my clients, V Krishnappa S/o Late Venkataramanappa, Aged about 73 years, R/at No. Old No 33, New No. 186, Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, PID No. 47-25-186, Kumbarpet Main Road, Bengaluru-560002, Original Sale Deed Dated 01/07/1963, registered as Document No. 921/1962-63. In Book- 1, Volume 1919 at Pages 13 to 16 registered in the office of the register, Bengaluru City North Bengaluru and also Khatha certificate, Khatha Extract, Tax Paid Receipt, Encumbrance Certificate and State bank of India Pass book and he has also, lodged police complaint on 11/09/2021 has been lost while travelling from City market to Mariyappann playa.he has also lodged police complaint on 11/09/2021. If person/s in possession of the aforesaid documents may return the same to us or anyone having any sort of claim over the said property may lodge their objections in writing within 7 days from this day to the undersigned

Thimmanna
Advocate, M.A., LL.B.
No. 11, S-25, V.M.C. Complex,
10th Cross, Cubbonpet, Bangalore-560002
9448240501, Email: thimmanna10@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify the General Public that my client **Mrs. RUPAL HARISH SACHDEVA,** W/o. Mr. Harish Sachdeva, R/at: No.15, Adarsh Palm Meadows, Whitefield Bangalore, is the absolute owner of the Villa No.15, in PALM MEADOWS, Mahadevapura CMC Khatha No.20, Sy. No.43, (Old Khatha No. 43, H.L. No.43-15) Sl. No.1, situated at Whitefield Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring as per the plan annexed because of the odd shape and totally measuring 7664.0 sq. ft. with a residential building thereon.

On 25-09-2021,when my client was on her way to her Advocate's Office at Rajajinagar from her house at Whitefield, during transit has lost the Original Registered Sale Deed dated 30-03-2002, vide Document No.16708/2001-02, Book-I, Volume-2421, Pages 184-199, registered in K.R. Puram sub-registrar's office. In spite of her best efforts, she could not trace the said Original Sale Deed. It is requested to the General Public that any person finding the said Sale Deed dated 30-03-2002,may kindly hand over the said document to the undersigned at the below mentioned address within **7 days** from the date of issue of this Public Notice. In this regard my clients have already lodged an online Police Complaint on 25-09-2021, vide Lost Report No.0057533/2021. It is further informed the general public that not to misuse the said document to make any illegal transaction and If any transaction entered into by anybody in respect of the above said property based on the said document, the same would be illegal and does not confer any valid right or title on the property and also not binding on my client.

LAWQUEST, Advocates,
No.626/97, Dr. Rajkumar Road, II Block,
Rajajinagar, Bangalore - 560 010.
Place: Bangalore Date: 25-09-2021

BANGALORE URBAN, BANGALORE RURAL AND RAMANAGARA DIST. CO-OP. MILK PRODUCERS SOCIETIES UNION LIMITED

Bamul

Dr. M.H. MARIGOWDA ROAD, BANGALORE-560029. www.bamulnandini.coop

IFT No: KMF/BAMUL/GM(T)/2021-22/421 (2 to 13) **Date: 25.09.2021**

Bengaluru Milk Union Ltd., (Bamul) Bengaluru, invites Biennial e-tender and seasonal contract for 3 months through e-procurement portal. The Interested & Eligible Transport Contractors for the transportation of milk from BAMUL/Chilling Centre/BAMUL units to various destinations through tankers, Refer tender No: KMF/BAMUL/GM(T)/2021-22/421(2 to13) and also required 2 Nos of Car for Officers tour Refer tender No. KMF/BAMUL/GM(T)/2021-22/57/CAR/CALL-2 In E-portal website **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

SCHEDULE-A (For Two Year contract)

Sl. no.	Route Name	Tender Number	Approximate KM	No. of Tankers Required (19000 kg / 24000 kg) (24KL Base rate)
Bidders should quote rate per KM basis in Rupees (Excluding toll) for the following individual routes				
1	Anekal Chilling Centre to various destination	KMF/BAMUL/GM(T)/2021-22/421(2)	0-150 km	2
2	Solur Chilling Centre to various destination	KMF/BAMUL/GM(T)/2021-22/421(3)	0-150 km	2
		KMF/BAMUL/GM(T)/2021-22/421(4)	151-300 km	1
3	Vijayapura Chilling Centre to various destination	KMF/BAMUL/GM(T)/2021-22/421(5)	0-150 km	1
		KMF/BAMUL/GM(T)/2021-22/421(6)	151-300 km	3
4	Hosakote dairy to various destination	KMF/BAMUL/GM(T)/2021-22/421(7)	0-150 km	2
		KMF/BAMUL/GM(T)/2021-22/421(8)	151-300 km	2
5	Byrapatana Chilling Centre to various destination (except Byrapatana CC to Kanakapura dairy)	KMF/BAMUL/GM(T)/2021-22/421(9)	0-150 km	2
6	Byrapatana Chilling Centre to Kanakapura dairy	KMF/BAMUL/GM(T)/2021-22/421(10)	105	1
SCHEDULE-B (Seasonal Contract only) **Bidders should quote rate per KM basis in Rupees (Excluding toll) for the below said routes**				
1	Transportation of Milk from CC/MainDairy & Units of Bamul to different Conversion Plants (Seasonal contract only)	KMF/BAMUL/GM(T)/2021-22/421(11)	Above 301 km	9
2	Byrapatana Chilling Centre to various destination	KMF/BAMUL/GM(T)/2021-22/421(12)	151- 300 km	2
SCHEDULE-C (For Two Year contract) **Bidders should quote rate per Kg basis in Rupees for the below said routes (Including all charges)**				
1	Kanakapura Chilling Centre to Kanakapura dairy	KMF/BAMUL/GM(T)/2021-22/421(13)	Kg basis	1

1	Access to E-tender Document	**25.09.2021 to 04.10.2021 till 4:00 PM**
2	Last date & time for tender clarification	**01.10.2021 till 4:00 PM**
3	Last date for submission of tender/ quoting	**04.10.2021 till 4:00 PM**
4	Date & time for opening Technical Tender part-I	**05.10.2021 at 4:30 PM**
5	Date & time for opening Commercial Tender part-II	**12.10.2021 at 11:00 AM**
6	Place of opening of Technical and Commercial Tender	**Bangalore Dairy Board Room Bangalore**

(1) Tenders are advised to note the qualification criteria specified in Section VII to qualify for award of the contract. (2) **The EMD amount is Rs.10,000/- for each Tanker.** (3) **The EMD amount is Rs.25,000/- for each Car.** (4) The earnest money deposit (E.M.D) valid for 45 days beyond the validity of the tender i.e. total for 135 days, Tender processing Fee, modes of e-payment, tender document details and other details are mentioned in **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

SD/- MANAGING DIRECTOR
TENDER INVITING AUTHORITY, BAMUL

punjab national bank

CIRCLE OFFICE : RECOVERY DEPARTMENT, SASTRA DIVISION BENGALURU,
100, Mosque Road, Frazer Town, Bangalore - 560005.
Phone : 080-25808908/8909. E-mail ID : cs8192@pnb.co.in.

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act(SARFAESI), 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property(ies) mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the constructive/physical/ symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of the Bank/ Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on the date as mentioned in the table herein below, for recovery of its dues due to the Bank/ Secured Creditor from the respective borrower (s) and guarantor (s). The reserve price and the earnest money deposit is mentioned in the table below against the respective properties.

The auction will be held on 28.10.2021 from 01.00 pm to 05.00 pm

SCHEDULE OF THE SECURED ASSETS

Sl. No.	Branch Name : Branch Contact No : A/c Name : A/c No :	Description of the property	SARFAESI Details possession	Outstanding Amount in Rs.	A) Reserve Price B) EMD C) Bid Increase Amount D) Encumbrances
1	Branch : Peenya 125100, Bangalore **Mob : 9073678789** M/s. Sri Vinayaka Industries **Account No: A/C-1251008700002138** (Mortgagor- Shri Natesh C)	**Property 1 -** Site no 24 Kaneshumari No. 156/24, Khata no 187, Survey No 112/5(old No. 112) Laggere Village , Dasarahalli Nagarashabe, Ward No 34,15th Cross, Doddanna Industrial Area, Yeshwantpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk in the name of Shri Natesh C, admeasuring East to West : 60 ft. & North to South : 40 ft., totally measuring 2400 sq ft. and bounded as : **East By :** Prop No 28 & 29, **West By :** Road, **North By :** Prop. No. 25 and **South By :** Prop. No. 23. **Property 2 -** Site No 8, BBMP Khata No.681/1130, Old Khata No.965 in Survey No.77/5, Ward No.70, Srigandadakaval Village, Yeshwantpur Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, in the name of Shri Natesh C admeasuring East to West : 40 ft & North to South : 30 ft., totally measuring 1200 sq ft. and bounded as : **East By :** Site No.5, **West By :** 25 ft Road, **North By :** Prop. No.9 and **South By :** Prop. No. 7. **Property 3 -** Corporation No 17, BBMP Khata No.1131, formed in SY. No. 105 situated at Srigandadakaval Village, Yeshwantpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, admeasuring Area: East to West : 40 ft. & North to South : (57+51)/2 ft , totally measuring 2160 sq ft in the name of Shri Natesh C and bounded as : **East By :** 25 ft Road, **West By :** Site No.23, **North By :** Prop. No. 16 and **South By :** Private Property.	13(2) 12.04.2021 13(4) 18.08.2021 Symbolic	**Rs.3,30,39,585.31 Plus interest and other charges from the date of NPA**	**Property No.1** **A)Rs. 1,56,00,000/- B)Rs. 15,60,000/- C)Rs. 1,00,000/- D)No such information known to the best of knowledge of Authorized Officer. The bidder are requested to do their own Due Diligence** **Property No.2** **A)Rs. 82,00,000/- B)Rs. 8,20,000/- C)Rs. 50,000/- D)No such information known to the best of knowledge of Authorized Officer. The bidder are requested to do their own Due Diligence** **Property No.3** **A)Rs. 1,36,00,000/- B)Rs. 1,36,000/- C)Rs. 1,00,000/- D)No such information known to the best of knowledge of Authorized Officer. The bidder are requested to do their own Due Diligence**
2	Branch : Sadashivanagar (108410), Bangalore **Mob : 7022038125** M/s. S R Garments, **(Account No: A/C-10844016000249)** Mortgagor- Smt Sumathi Suratani	**Property 1 -** All that part and parcel of residential house property Flat no.302 and 303 in third floor, in the building name **Sree Pearl Apartment** with plinth area of 2420 sqft including common area along with undivided land of 40 Sq. yds. Situated at S No. 234, D No. 6-4-19-10, Maruthi Nagar, Anantapuramu Muncipal Corporation, Andhra Pradesh in the name of Smt Sumathi Suratani, Bounded on : **East By :** Corridor, **West By :** Open to sky, **North By :** Open to sky & **South By :** Road & Open to sky. **Property 2 -** All that part and parcel of Residential Flat no. 401, 3rd Floor, **R S Residency** with plinth area of 1840 sq. ft. including common area , car parking area admeasuring 200 sq. ft. along with undivided share of 40.61 sq yards of land area located at T S No. 234, L P No. 129/76, Plot No. 03 D No. 6-4-10, Maruthi Nagar, 3rd Cross, Anantapuram Muncipal Corporation Andhra Pradesh in the name of Smt Sumathi Suratani bounded on : **North By :** Open to Sky , **South by :** Open to Sky, **East by :** Open to Sky **and West by :** Staircase and 6'6" corridor.	13(2) 19.04.2021 13(4) 17.08.2021 Symbolic	**Rs 1,67,54,639.51 Plus interest and other charges from the date of NPA**	**Property No.1** **A) Rs.80,45,000/- B) Rs.8,50,000/- C) Rs.50,000/- D) No such information known to the best of knowledge of Authorized Officer. The bidder are requested to do their own Due Diligence** **Property No.2** **A) Rs.56,50,000/- B) Rs.5,65,000/- C) Rs.50,000/- D)No such information known to the best of knowledge of Authorized Officer. The bidder are requested to do their own Due Diligence**

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF E-AUCTION SALE :

1. The sale shall be subject to the Terms & Conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 and to the following further conditions. (1) The auction sale will be "online through e-auction" portal **http://www.mstcecommerce.com**

2. The intending Bidders/ Purchasers are requested to register on portal (https:www.mstcauction.com) using their mobile number and email-id. Further, they are requested to upload requisite KYC documents. Once the KYC documents are verified by e-auction service provider (may take 2 working days), the intending Bidders/ Purchasers has to transfer the EMD amount using online mode in his Global EMD Wallet before the e-auction Date and time in the portal. The registration, verification of KYC documents and transfer of EMD in wallet must be completed well in advance, before auction date.

3. Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) amount as mentioned above shall be paid online through 3 mode i.e. NEFT/ Cash/ Transfer (After generation of Challan from (https:www.mstcecommerce.com) in bidders Global EMD Wallet. NEFT transfer can be done from any Scheduled Commercial Bank, however for Cash/ Transfer the bidder has to visit Punjab National Bank Branch. Payment of EMD by any other mode such as Cheques will not be accepted. Bidders, not depositing the required EMD online, will not be allowed to participate in the e-auction. The Earnest Money Deposited shall not bear any interest.

4. Platform (**https:www.mstcecommerce.com**) for e-Auction will be provided by e Auction service provider M/S MSTC Limited having its Registered office at 225-C, A.J.C. Bose Road, Kolkata700020 (contact Phone & Toll free Numbers 079-41072412/ 411/ 413 or 1800-103-5342). The intending Bidders/ Purchasers are required to participate in the e-Auction process at e-Auction Service Provider"s website **https:www.mstcecommerce.com**. This Service Provider will also provide online demonstration/ training on e-Auction on the portal.

5. The Sale Notice containing the General Terms and Conditions of Sale is available / published in the following websites/ web page portal. **(1) https://www.ibapi.in (2) https://eprocure.gov.in/epublish/app (3) http://www.mstcecommerce.com/. (4) www.pnbindia.in,**

6. The intending participants of e-auction may download free of cost, copies of the Sale Notice, Terms & Conditions of e-auction,Help Manual on operational part of e-Auction related to this eAuction from e-e-Bकक्क- IBAPI portal (https://www.ibapi.in).

7. The intending Bidders / Purchasers are requested to register on portal (https:www.mstcauction.com) using their mobile number and email-id. Further, they will upload the requisite KYC documents. Once the KYC documents are verified by e-auction service provider (may take 2 working days),the intending Bidders/Purchasers has to transfer the EMD amount using online mode in his Global EMD Wallet. Only after having sufficient EMD in his Wallet, the interested bidder will be able to bid on the date of e-auction.

8. Bidder's Global Wallet should have sufficient balance (>=EMD amount) at the time of bidding.

9. During the e-auction bidders will be allowed to offer higher bid in inter-se bidding over and above the last bid quoted and the minimum increase in the bid amount must be as **mentioned against each** properties to the last higher bid of the bidders. Ten minutes time will be allowed to bidders to quote successive higher bid and if no higher bid is offered by any bidder after the expiry of ten minutes to the last highest bid, the e- auction shall be closed.

10. It is the responsibility of intending Bidder(s) to properly read the Sale Notice, Terms & conditions of e-auction, Help Manual on operational part of e-Auction and follow them strictly.

(1) In case of any difficulty or need of assistance before or during e-Auction process may contact authorized representative of our e-Auction Service Provider (https: http://www.mstcecommerce.com/). Details of which are available on the e-Auction portal.

11. After finalization of e-Auction by the Authorized Officer, only successful bidder will be informed by our above referred service provider through SMS/ email. (On mobile no/ email address given by them/ registered with the service provider).

12. The secured asset will not be sold below the reserve price.

13. The successful bidder shall have to deposit 25% (twenty five percent) of the bid amount, less EMD amount deposited, on the same day or not later than the next working day and the remaining amount shall be paid within 15 days from the date of auction in the form of Banker's Cheque/ Demand Draft issued by a Scheduled Commercial Bank drawn in favour of "The Authorized Officer, Punjab National Bank, A/c (Name of the A/C) Payable at Bangalore. In case of failure to deposit the amounts as above within the stipulated time, the amount deposited by successful bidder will be forfeited to the Bank and Authorized Officer shall have the liberty to conduct a fresh auction/ sale of the property & the defaulting bidder shall not have any claim over the forfeited amount and the property.

14. Payment of sale consideration by the successful bidder to the bank will be subject to TDS under Section 194- 1A of Income Tax Act 1961 and TDS is to be made by the successful bidder only at the time of deposit of remaining 75 % of the bid amount/full deposit of BID amount.

15. The Authorised Officer reserves the right to accept any or reject all bids, if not found acceptable or to postpone/cancel/adjourn/discontinue or vary the terms of the auction at any time without assigning any reason whatsoever and his decision in this regard shall be final.

16. The sale certificate shall be issued in the favour of successful bidder on deposit of full bid amount as per the provisions of the act.

17. The properties are being sold on **"AS IS WHERE IS BASIS and "AS IS WHAT IS BASIS" and "WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS".**

18. The particulars of Secured Assets specified in the Schedule hereinabove have been stated to the best of the information of the Authorised Officer, but the Authorised Officer shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation.

19. It shall be the responsibility of the bidders to inspect and satisfy themselves about the asset and specification before submitting the bid. The bidder inspect the property in consultation with the dealing official as per the details provided.

20. All statutory dues/attendant charges/other dues including registration charges, stamp duty, taxes etc. shall have to be borne by the purchaser.

21. **The Authorized Officer or the Bank shall not be responsible for any charge, lien, encumbrances, or any other dues to the Government or anyone else in respect of properties (E-Auctioned) not known to the bank. The Intending Bidder is advised to make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances on the property including statutory liabilities, arrears of property tax, electricity dues etc.**

22. The bidder should ensure proper internet connectivity, power back-up etc. The Bank shall not be liable for any disruption due to internet failure, power failure or technical reasons or reasons/contingencies affecting the e-auctions.

23. It is open to the Bank to appoint a representative and make self bid and participate in the auction. For detailed term and conditions of the sale, please refer https://www.ibapi.in, https://eprocure.gov.in/epublish/app, http://www.mstcecommerce.com/, www.pnbindia.in.

Place : Bangalore
Date : 24.09.2021

Sd/-
AUTHORISED OFFICER & CHIEF MANAGER
PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK (SECURED CREDITOR)

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"ಅಲ್ಪಾವಧಿ ಮರು ಟೆಂಡರ್ ಪ್ರಕಟಣೆ"
(ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ)

ಪೌರಾಯುಕ್ತರು ನಗರಸಭೆ ಹೊಸಕೋಟೆ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು ಗ್ರಾಮಾಂತರ ಜಿಲ್ಲೆ ಇವರಿಂದ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಮೂಲಕ 2021–22ನೇ 15ನೇ ಹಣಕಾಸು ಯೋಜನೆಯಡಿ, ಈ ಕೆಳಕಂಡ ಕಾಮಗಾರಿಗೆ ಕರ್ನಾಟಕ ಸ್ಟ್ಯಾಂಡರ್ಡ್ ಡಾಕ್ಯೂಮೆಂಟ್ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ್ನು ಏಕ ಲಕೋಟೆ ಪದ್ಧತಿಯಡಿ ಅರ್ಹ ದರ್ಜೆಯ ನೋಂದಾಯಿತ ಗುತ್ತಿಗೆದಾರು ರವರಿಂದ ಇ–ಪ್ರೊಕ್ಯೂರ್‌ಮೆಂಟ್ ಪೋರ್ಟಲ್ ಮುಖಾಂತರ ಟೆಂಡರ್‌ನ್ನು ಕರೆಯಲಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ.

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The Income Tax Department on Friday unearthed undisclosed income of more than ₹300 crore after it carried out search and seizure operations at two private syndicate financing groups based in Chennai

'Climate change must be tackled at panchayat level'

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

SUNDAY INTERVIEW

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CLIMATE change is here and now. Instead of depending on the government to act, every citizen must also act immediately in simple ways — walk instead of using vehicles, switch to LED, etc. With farmers also admitting that climate change (CC) is affecting them, they can look at other crops. Corporates, industries and large construction units should set targets for reducing energy use, suggests Dr N H Ravindranath, retired professor, Centre for Sustainable Technologies, IISc, and co-author of reports by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Assessment and the Karnataka State Action Plan on Climate Change- version-2. He points that while India has not yet submitted its climate change mitigation targets to the UN, there is a need for adaptation and mitigation plans at the panchayat level for drought and floods.

Is climate change for real? Do people have adequate knowledge about it?

Climate change is a long-term trend. There is no dispute that the Earth has warmed globally, with variations year on year. The long term mean trend — in temperature and rainfall — is increasing globally. Carbon Dioxide (CO_2) concentration has also increased in the atmosphere, which has also made the Earth warmer. Cities are the global centres of emission (80%). In other countries, elected representatives, citizens and bureaucrats are well informed and climate change is also an election agenda. But here, we must ask how many corporators, MLAs, MPs, ministers know about climate change and what they have done. Many citizens also don't know about it.

In Karnataka, we have seen abnormal rainfall, droughts and floods. Studies show that more districts will experience 10-30 per cent increase in rainfall and this is not good. More rain is more dangerous than less rain. People in cities do not feel climate change, but farmers know it. The biggest challenge for farmers is disturbed rainfall.

What can we do? Is there something wrong with the development model?

Development and utilising resources is not wrong. Simple lifestyle changes are needed and the youth can do a lot. Conserve, recycle and use water and paper efficiently. They can take public transport to schools/colleges. A culture of using electricity efficiently should also come from homes, schools/colleges.

Stringent monitoring of energy used is needed. All government, commercial and industrial buildings and malls should monitor electricity use and set targets like reducing energy use to 50 per cent over the next five years.

What can we expect from climate change?

We can expect rainfall to increase by 15-20 per cent in most parts of Karnataka in the next decade. So the problem will be managing surplus water, which may cause flooding and damage. There is also a prediction of high intensity rainfall, but the number of rainy days will decline. We need good disaster management staff. New strategies are needed to manage increased flooding. There are also predictions that there could be intense droughts for the next few years due to El Nino and La Nina effects.

What do you think the government is overlooking?

All state governments are preparing climate action plans, but they are not taking it seriously. They are just preparing it as the Centre asked all states to do so. Adequate research and analysis has not been done for practical mitigation strategies. The report is a means to identify and list out what industries, municipalities and governments can do, what development programmes can be chalked out, how mitigation measures can be taken and what needs to be adopted.

We need to prepare climate-resilient adaptation plans at the panchayat, block and watershed levels. We need climate-resilient panchayats because of floods and droughts. The government should take adaptation seriously and leave the mitigation to corporates, industries and individuals. Climate-resilient packages are needed for flood and drought plans.

There is enough money with the government. It should work on how to make programmes like MNREGA and watershed development climate-proof.

Excessive sugarcane cultivation is said to be a worry. Is it true?

India is short of pulses and edible oils. We are importing two-thirds of edible oils. The amount of water needed for a hectare of sugarcane is equivalent to 3-5 ha of pulses and oil seeds production. We need to produce more oil seeds and pulses. Governments are hesitant to lay down conditions for farmers. There should be some disincentives for sugarcane and paddy cultivation and some incentives for oil seeds and pulses. The poor eat a lot of rice, but consume very little of oil and pulses. On the other hand, the rich have problems related to edible oil consumption. The government needs to have strong will here. Give choices and incentives.

How is construction affecting climate change?

The construction industry is among the biggest polluters. Cement industry is the Number One CO_2 emitter. Cement, steel, aluminium and glass are four major contributors to global pollution and CO_2 emissions. The biggest problem is to find a solution, especially cement and steel. There is talk of new, but cement has no immediate solution. Garbage incineration is very less and, after thermal plants, bulk coal is used mostly in the cement industry.

How difficult is the construction of green buildings? How are glass structures affecting climate change?

Instead of cement, other alternatives can be used and energy saved, like shifting to mud blocks. With optimised design, cement and steel use can be reduced by 30-40 per cent. But engineers and contractors do not want to, because alternate technology is considered a burden. Around 90 per cent of engineers have no knowledge of energy-efficient buildings. There is a need for stringent regulations.

Glass facade buildings are not needed in Bengaluru, it's unscientific for warm places. Brick walls are better. The idea was copied from Europe without understanding the climatic conditions.

Where do you think the government has failed?

Efficient lighting is taking off only now, but implementation is slow. There is a policy to have solar panels, but there are problems in selling power to the grid. We should have had good public transport like the Metro in Bengaluru about 20 years ago, covering 100-500 km by now. We are doing it now, but it's too late and too little.

India claims that compared to other countries, deforestation is less. But still, a lot more afforestation and investment needs to be done. In Karnataka, for example, investment in forestry has come down in the last 10 years. This should increase.

Many countries in Europe have already announced that they will ban diesel/petrol cars by 2030. They have also announced shutting down coal power plants and China has announced to stop funding coal plant constructions globally. Governments have a major role to play. If the Centre says that by 2025, only electric buses will be manufactured in India, all companies will follow. Such stringent acts are required. India is yet to submit its climate change mitigation commitment for the Glasgow summit.

The government is now thinking of closing down thermal plants, but can that happen?

India is the only country where many plants are in different stages of construction and implementation. The government has still not made any commitment on not having more coal-based power plants.

It's good to phase out coal but it will not happen in the next five years. The problem with solar and wind energy is storage, which is expensive. New technologies will be commercially available in the next 2-3 years.

'Repair PHCs in bad shape'

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THE report was prepared in response to a High Court direction on public interest litigation filed by Gurunath Vadde of Bidar district. He had demanded that at least three PHCs and sub-centres per district should be visited to ascertain the facilities available.

The KSLSA, in its report, recommended to the State Government to take steps to repair the PHCs that are in dilapidated condition, ensure proper hygiene/cleanliness, provide proper and adequate residential accommodation to doctors and other staff to let their services be available 24x7 for any emergency. The report pointed out that 67 PHCs out of 100 do not have residential accommodation for doctors and paramedical staff.

It recommended that all PHCs should provide treatment to Covid patients, district health officers must inspect PHCs regularly, CCTVs should be installed at all centres as a public safety measure, services should be upgraded, etc.

KSLSA recommended to the State Government to issue necessary notification for the minimum mandated standard of services per IPHS.

A division bench of Acting Chief Justice Satish Chandra Sharma and Justice Sachin Shankar Magadum sought a response from the government on the report.

WHAT PHCs HAVE AND LACK...

- 25 PHCs have emergency ambulances services, while 76 do not
- 75 centres have labour rooms, while 26 do not
- 70 have suggestion/complaint box, while 31 PHCs do not
- 45 PHCs have psychiatric treatment available, while 56 have no such facility

Ch'nagar to house 3 tiger sanctuaries

K SHIVA KUMAR @Mysuru

CHAMARAJANAGAR is set to become the first district in the country to have three tiger sanctuaries. With a forest cover of around 51 per cent, it already houses Bandipur and Biligiriranganatha Swamy Temple wildlife sanctuaries. The addition will be MM Hills Tiger Project, which has over 200 tigers.

The new reserve, which has hilly terrains, rich biodiversity and undisturbed areas in Palar and MM Hills, will spread across 1,000 sqkm.

Deputy Conservator of Forest Edukundala said the government will notify MM Hills as a tiger reserve in a few days. The government will give an additional grant of Rs 10 crore, which will be used to install solar pumps.

JUMBO RESCUE: TOLL RISES TO 2, JAWAN'S BODY RECOVERED

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bhubaneswar

THE death toll in Mundali boat mishap mounted to two as the body of Odisha Disaster Rapid Action Force (ODRAF) jawan Sitaram Murmu, who went missing during an elephant rescue operation on Friday, was recovered from the river at Kakhadi village close to Dhabaleswar on Saturday.

Locals spotted the body floating in the river at Kakhadi near Mahalapada, around 11 km from the barrage where the boat capsized, and informed the NDRF teams who then rushed to the spot and recovered it.

Around 12 NDRF and ODRAF teams along with fire services personnel were carrying out the search operation in the swollen river to trace Murmu since Saturday morning. Murmu, a native of Thakurmunda in Mayurbhanj district, was an experienced diver. His body was handed over to the family members after postmortem at SCB Medical College and Hospital (SCB MCH).

People pay tributes to journalist Arindam Das and ODRAF personnel Sitaram Murmu | IRFANA

Special Relief Commissioner (SRC) PK Jena said an inquiry has already been ordered by the DGP into the matter and the State government will soon review the standard operating procedure (SOP) to ensure that any outsider, civilian or media is not part of any rescue mission.

Meanwhile, the mortal remains of OTV journalist Arindam Das, who drowned in the boat tragedy on Friday, were consigned to flames at his native village Raikala in Keonjhar.

Chief Minister Naveen Patnaik on Saturday sanctioned an assistance of ₹4 lakh from the Odisha Working Journalist Welfare Fund to the family of Arindam.

His colleague and OTV cameraperson Prabhat Sinha, who was in the boat, is still in ICU. Besides, two other members of ODRAF are also in the ICU.

BREWING STORM

Fishermen in Visakhapatanam head back from the sea after the Indian Meterological Department (IMD) issued warning for Cyclone Gulab on Saturday

People can suggest names for Rajyotsava awards

ENS @Bengaluru

THE State Government is allowing the public to send recommendations for Kannada Rajyotsava awards through the government's online Seva Sindhu portal. Kannada and Culture Minister Sunil Kumar said this year, 66 achievers will be given awards marking 66 years of the formation of the State. This is the first time that people are being given an online platform to make their recommendations.

A release from Sunil Kumar's office stated that people can log in to the government's Seva Sindhu portal to access the prescribed format. One person can recommend three names at a time. She/he should give the name of the achiever's name, phone number, field and complete address online. "We need to identify unsung heroes and we are taking public's help. The names will be given to our expert committee who will finalise the list. With this, we are allowing public to select the achiever," he said.

The minister said that except for sports, achievers should be over 60 years old.

FORM NO. INC-26

[Pursuant to Rule 30 of Companies (Incorporation) Rules 2014]

Advertisement to be published in Newspaper for the change in Registered Office of the Company from one state to another

Before the Central Government
South East Region Bench, Hyderabad

IN THE MATTER OF COMPANIES ACT, 2013, PETITION UNDER SECTION 13(4) OF THE COMPANIES ACT, 2013 AND RULE 30 OF THE COMPANIES (INCORPORATION) RULES, 2014

AND

IN THE MATTER OF M/S GALACTUS FUNWARE TECHNOLOGY PRIVATE LIMITED ("THE COMPANY")
(CIN: U74999KA2018FTC113333) HAVING ITS REGISTERED OFFICE AT UNIT NOS. 606,607,608,609, 6TH FLOOR, STATESMAN MUNICIPAL NOS.301/34/1-9, IBBALUR, BEGUR, HOBLI, BANGALORE, KARNATAKA 560103, INDIA

....PETITIONER

Notice is hereby given to General Public that the company proposes to make the application to the Central Government under section 13 of the Companies Act 2013, seeking confirmation of alteration of Memorandum of Companies of the company in term of special resolution passed at Extra ordinary General Meeting held on Wednesday, September 22, 2021 to enable the company to change its Registered Office from "State of Karnataka" to "State of Delhi".

Any person whose interest is likely to be affected by the proposed change, may deliver either on MCA portal (www.mca.gov.in) by filling investor complaint form or cause to be deliver or send by registered post of his/her objections supported by an affidavit stating the nature of his/her interest and ground of opposition to the Regional Director at the 3rd floor, Corporate Bhavan, Bandlaguda Nagole, Tattiannaram Village, Hayat Nagar Mandal, Ranga Reddy District, Hyderabad 500068, Telangana, within 14 Days of date of publication of this notice with a copy to the applicant company at its registered office at the address mentioned below:

ADDRESS OF REGISTERED OFFICE:

Unit Nos. 606,607,608,609, 6th Floor, Statesman Municipal Nos.301/34/1-9, Ibbalur, Begur, Hobli, Bangalore, Karnataka 560103, India.

For and on behalf of applicant
Sd/-
Dibyojyoti Mainak
Director
DIN: 09218485

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Central Bank of India

19-A, M.G. Road, HOSUR-635109, Krishnagiri District, Tamilnadu. Phone: 04344242406

POSSESSION NOTICE
(for Immovable property)

Whereas the authorised officer of Central Bank of India under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 andin exercise of powers conferred under section 13 (2) read with rule (3) of the security interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued demand notice dated 06.05.2021 calling upon the **Borrower :Mr.T.S.Krishnamurthy s/o SrinivasachariAddress 1 :**Site No-71/A, Behind Kannika Temple, Bannerghatta Road, ShanthiNiketan Layout, Arakere Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore-560076 **Address 2 :** No: 116, 17th Main, 11th Cross, Bannerghatta Road, Vijaya Bank Layout, Bilekahalli, Bangalore- 76 **Guarantor Mrs.N. Nagamma w/o T.S.Krishnamurthy Address 1 :** Site No-71/A, Behind Kannika Temple, Bannerghatta Road, ShanthiNiketan Layout, Arakere Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore-560076 **Address 2 :** No : 116, 17th Main, 11th Cross, Bannerghatta Road, Vijaya Bank Layout, Bilekahalli, Bangalore- 76 to pay the amount mentioned in the notices being **Rs40,80,830/- (Rupees Forty Lakh Eighty Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty only), due to us as on 06.05.2021,** with subsequent interest at contracted rate and rests borrowed through our branch, within 60 days from the date of the receipt of the said notice.

The borrower and/or guarantor having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and/or guarantor in the scheduled security and the public in general that the undersigned has taken symbolic possession of the property described herein below the exercise of powers conferred on him under sub-section (4) of section 13 of Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement rules,2002 on 21.09.2021

The borrowers and /or guarantor in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned NOT TO DEAL with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA, Hosur Branch, for an amount of Rs40,80,830/- (Rupees Forty Lakh Eighty Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty only), due to us as on 06.05.2021,and interest and costs thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DETAILS/DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTIES:

All Part and parcel of the following properties:
Site No-71/A Old CMC Khatha No-744/306, New CMC Khatha No-328/71/A/744/306 Extent of the Land 600 Sq.ft, with Ground+2 storied residential building, Ward No-193, Behind Kannika Parameshwari Temple, Bannerghatta Road, ShanthiNiketan Layout, Arakere Village, Begur Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk- 560076 bounded on:
East by : Plot No.72A **West by :** Plot No.70A
North by: Road **South by :** Plot No.94A
Measuring East- West: 20 feet North – South : 30 feet
The above Property belongs to Mr.T.S.Krishnamurthy.

Date: 21.09.2021 **AUTHORISED OFFICER/CHIEF MANAGER**
Place: Hosur **CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA**

FOR RENT

Premises measure carpet are **25,749 Sq.ft**. of the property bearing No. 2, consisting of THREE floor situated at Pampa Mahakavi Road, Shankarapuram, Basuvangudi, Bengaluru and bounded by North by: 5th Cross, Shankarapuram, South by: Property of Uttaradi Math, East by : Pampa Mahakavi Road, West by: Pooja Mandir of Uttaradhi Math

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APPENDIX - IV (RULE-8(1))
POSSESSION NOTICE (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)

Where as, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Indian Bank** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a **demand notice dated 11.06.2021** Calling upon the borrower **(1) Shri Sayed Saleem Pasha, S/o. Sayed Pasha** and **(2) Salma Banu, W/o. Sayed Saleem Pasha** with our **Cantonment Branch** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.35,93,565/- (in words Thirty Five Lac Ninety Three Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty Five only)** and interest thereon till the date of repayment within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has **taken possession** of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with rule 8 and 9 of the said rules on this **22nd day of September of the year 2021.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Indian Bank** for an amount of **Rs.35,93,565.00 (in words Thirty Five Lac Ninety Three Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty Five only)** and interest thereon. We draw attention to the provisions of Section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act and the Rules framed there under which deals with your rights of redemption over the securities.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that part and parcel of the property consisting Residential property No.6, (earlier site No.210 (B3) in Sy.No. 25/3 PID No.55-181-6, 3rd Main, ILYAS Nagar Layout (JHBCS Layout) Minhajnagar of Kadirenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalaore South Taluk, Bengaluru-560078 measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 20 feet. **Property Bounded: On the North by:** Previously storm water drain, presently it is Road, **On the South by:** Site No.210 (B2), **On the East by:** Site No.210 (Portion), **On the West by:** Road.

Date: 22.09.2021 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Indian Bank, Cantonment Branch**

SIR M. VISVESVARAYA CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.,
Corporate Office: # 109, Shankarmutt Road, Shankarpuram, Bangalore - 560004. Phone No.: 080-22956419 / 22956420, E-mail: corporate@vcb.co.in, Website: www.vcb.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE
[(Rule-8(1))] (For Immovable Property)

Whereas, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Limited,** Bangalore under the Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with (Rule 3) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated**16.07.2021** calling upon the borrower **Sri Revanna. S S/o Late. Siddashetty** and guarantor **Smt. Rukmini & Sri Nithish. R**, all are residing at 442, Annur Village, Maddur Taluk, K.M. Doddi Post, Mandya District - 571422 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs. 69,83,810/- (Rupees Sixty Nine Lakhs Eighty Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Ten Only) as on 30.06.2021 within 60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under Sub-Section (4) of Section 13 of the Act read with rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **21st day of September 2021.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Ltd., Shankarmutt Road Branch, Bangalore - 560004** for an amount of **Rs. 69,83,810/- (Rupees Sixty Nine Lakhs Eighty Three Thousand Eight Hundred and Ten Only) as on 30.06.2021** plus interest from 01/07/2021 together with incidental expenses, cost, charges etc, till the date of realization.

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Section 13 (8) of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

PROPERTY SCHEDULE: All that Piece and Parcel of the property which is in possession of the first party Smt.Rukmini K bearing Municipal No. 1041, e property No. 152100202800120313 formed in converted Sy.No. 30/2, situated at Annur Village, Chikkarasinakere Hobli, Maddur Taluk, Mandya District, measuring 20 guntas East to West 45.66 Mtrs and North to South 44.93 mtrs in all measuring 2052.14 Sq. mtrs together with building constructed there on and bounded on: **East by :** Land of Sanamma, **West by :** Land of Siddegowda, **North by :** Land of Mahesh, **South by :** Land of Yashodamma and 20 Ft Road.

Date : 21-09-2021 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Sir M. Visvesvaraya Co-Operative Bank Limited**

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U.N. SUMMIT: ANNUAL JAMBOREE OF BYSTANDERS

THE THIRD EYE

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IN 1968, social psychologist John M Darley in collaboration with Bibb Latane came up with the concept of "bystander effect" to explain group behaviour. Essentially, groups are found to be unwilling to intervene in the face of urgency/emergency, paralysed by uncertainty and the belief that others may act. The theory has since been found applicable to companies, governments and institutions.

It could be safely said that the United Nations, founded on lofty ideals, has been suffering from the bystander effect. In effect, the annual September meetings in New York, year after year, turn out to be a jamboree of bystanders. Validation is manifest in what the United Nations could do but did not has been visible this week as leaders trooped up to the podium to wax eloquent.

The big question which begs to be asked as the UNGA draws to a close is: what came of the annual meetings, which problem of the world has been resolved, indeed even nudged towards resolution. To appreciate the extent of institutional inefficacy, consider action or rather inaction on two critical issues haunting lives — the humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan and the pandemic.

The United Nations Charter scripted in 1945 states it is determined to "reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights" and "equal rights of men and women". Six weeks back, Afghanistan was taken over by a mercenary militia which was legitimised by a deal signed by the Trump administration. The Taliban promised an inclusive regime — its first act was to disband the ministry of women. On Friday, Mullah Turabi, one of the founders, declared return of amputations and executions — except under the "improved" Taliban 2.0, these would not be in public!

As the world comes to terms with its worst fears, there is no sign of any pressure on the principal sponsor, Pakistan. Islamabad's involvement in fomenting terrorism and the active role of ISI in plotting the return of the Taliban has been flagged repeatedly. It is no coincidence that 131 individuals and 25 entities on the list of those under sanctions imposed by the UN Security Council for terrorism, are sheltered in Pakistan. And yet, Pakistan continues to play the victim card!

The pandemic afforded the UN an opportunity to show up. It has been stranded in words. The blame for much of the mess rests on its entity called WHO, which has blundered repeatedly. In January 2020, despite a raging epidemic in China, the WHO said there was "no evidence of human transmission" only to declare a pandemic a month later. Even after 20 months, 232 million cases and over 4.7 million deaths, the WHO is still waffling vacuously about who should be held accountable for letting the virus out.

It has been found grossly wanting in designing policy on critical aspects of containment. This column last week highlighted how the WHO has flailed at designing a global protocol on vaccine recognition and testing. Antonio Guterres, Secretary General of the UN, has described inequitable distribution of vaccines as an "obscenity". Strong words for sure, but the blame lies with the UN — appeals don't equal outcomes without an innovative mechanism.

World Bank President David Malpass estimates that G7 countries are sitting over a pile of over 2.4 billion excess doses of the vaccine — enough to fully vaccinate 70 per cent of Africa with two doses. Unless Malpass succeeds in persuading G7 to use existing stocks and allow new deliveries to be sent to developing nations, the virus will mutate between the vaccinated and the unvaccinated. The havoc wreaked by the Delta variant is manifest and it bears mention that the 'Delta' is only the fourth of 24 Greek alphabets.

It is not just the immediate challenges that the UN has failed to rise up to. The first sentence of its charter states the UN is determined "to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war." Yet, whether it is the seven-year war in Yemen, the strife in Tigray or the junta's atrocities in Myanmar, the moral authority of the UN has scarcely travelled beyond words. Add a ballistic North Korea and a belligerent China expanding its presence on South China Sea. The list of unattended issues is painfully long — and climate change has just joined the queue.

In its current form, the UN, founded on Westphalian principle of sovereignty, suffers from structural deficiencies. The veto power vested with the permanent members of the UN Security Council is deployed to delay and detain action. The composition itself is divorced from reality. Its membership leaves out new economic powers, for instance, India, Germany and Japan. It doesn't reflect the changed demographic status of the new world either. Worsening this is the selection of leadership, which is driven by geopolitical expediencies, and a bloated bureaucracy.

There is no disputing the need for a global institution — with the rise in complex challenges, the need for a platform to build consensus is only greater. It was an iconic verse from Lord Byron's iconic verse Childe Harold's Pilgrimage, 'Here, where the sword united nations drew...', which gave the institution its name. To achieve the inspiring ideals envisage post the war, the world needs to reimagine the United Nations anew for it to be relevant to our times. Else, it is doomed to be a bystander.

LESSONS TO LEARN FROM AYODHYA

POINT OF VIEW

TJS GEORGE

THE Ayodhya story is never old. The historical background, the personages involved, the tragedies and the triumphs associated with the city will always remain fresh in the minds of Indians. The main reason may be the religious dimension acquired through the story of Rama. But even without the religious link, Ayodhya has a certain fascination, or shall we say greatness, built into it.

This explains the continuing involvement of Rama in our everyday activities. This month, the Bangalore International Centre is releasing a book, *The Multivalence of an Epic*, with "a historically informed discussion on the journey and localisation of the Ramayana across land and seas." Participating in the discussion are JNU Professor H S Shiva Prakash, dancer Madhu Nataraj, European Studies specialist Neeta Inamdar, former foreign secretary Nirupama Rao, Delhi University Professor Parul Pandya Dhar and Hyderabad University's History Professor Suchandra Ghosh.

Three years ago, *Ayodhya:City of Faith, City of Discord* by Valay Singh reminded us yet again about the unconquerable quality of the Ayodhya legend. In fact, the number of books on Ayodhya is a pointer to the attention latter-day controversies have attracted. From Salman Khurshid's *Sunrise Over Ayodhya: Nationhood in Our Times* to Sarvepalli Gopal's *The Anatomy of a Confrontation*, books have examined the issue from all possible angles. The politics that showed an ugly face too has been examined in detail. The title of the book written by Krishna Jha and Dhirendra Jha speaks for itself: *Ayodhya, The Dark Night: The Secret History of Rama's Appearance in Babri Masjid*.

Devotees acknowledge seven sacred cities, Sapta Puri, in India which must be visited if one were to attain moksha: Ayodhya, Mathura, Haridwar, Kasi, Kanchi, Avantika (Ujjain) and Dwarka. There are more than 700 temples in Ayodhya. This may be seen as recognition of the city's special status. But it pales into insignificance when we realise that Varanasi has 20,000 temples, lending legitimacy to the claim that it is the country's spiritual capital.

It may be just one of seven, but Ayodhya has a certain sentimental appeal that is unrivalled. Rama, of course, is the primary factor here, but I am among those who feel that Ayodhya's identification with Dasaratha is just as important, if not more. Rama's pre-eminence is supreme, but that does not diminish the nobility of Dasaratha's character.

It is true that Dasaratha's story is essentially a tragedy. He killed Shravana by mistake. That did not make it easier for Shravana's old parents to accept the untimely loss of their only support in life. The inconsolable parents put on Dasaratha the curse that he, too, would suffer from the loss of his son. The curse worked. Dasaratha was unable to suffer the separation from Rama. He died a victim of sorrow.

Dasaratha's problems arose from his adherence to Dharma which also underlined the greatness of his character. The Ramayana specialist Arshia Sattar makes the point that Kaikeyi, usually seen as villainous, was in fact "fulfilling her dharma as a mother by attempting to secure her son's future in a royal family that had three other contenders to kingship".

Perhaps, it was a tactical mistake to build up a vision of Ram Rajya as a Utopia. Tulsidas popularised the idea of a country where all were happy, living without fear, grief or sickness. All wishes came true in Ram Rajya. It was a living metaphor of social harmony and ethical conduct.

It seemed natural that in such a land, power should go to a saffron-clad personage, the more so if he is officially described as a yogi. But how easily the grandiose yielded to the trivial. What the world saw under the yogi was an Ayodhya on the verge of ecological disaster. A Rs 600-crore emergency plan had to be launched just for the cleaning of the Sarayu river.

Harishchandra and Raghu were kings of Ayodhya like Rama was. They renounced their kingdom to uphold dharma. Tulsidas saw the gardens of Ayodhya redolent with flowers and fruits. Mountains yielded gems and oceans never caused floods. Such orderliness of nature and established definitions of society ensured a thriving economy in Ram Rajya. In our own times, it was all reduced to a controversy that could not possibly have an amicable solution; should a temple rise on the holy spot or a mosque? Answers to the question could never rise above the religion of the individual who was asked. As poet Vayalar said: Man created religions. Religions created gods. Religions and gods joined hands to exploit the minds of humans.

THE PERILS OF SELECTIVE MEMORY

OPINION

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A few apparently unrelated news items have triggered certain anxieties. An impatient eagerness to reinterpret history is all too evident in our current political discourse. The Central Vista project zealously undertaken to coincide with the 75th year of Independence betrays a compulsive obsession to reinterpret an already acclaimed legacy.

Reinterpretation naturally involves addition and deletions. As a result, certain memories will shine forth from the caverns of obscurity, while some in the limelight will blur away to oblivion. What all will the new Central Vista remember and what all will it obliterate are not clear as of now, as this crucial project affecting the aesthetics and history of the National Capital is inexplicably opaque.

The same thread of eagerness to rewrite history by smudging and edging out some memories and etching in a few others runs through several instances. The unsolicited verdict by Indian Council for Historical Research (ICHR) that the 1921 uprising in Kerala was not part of the Freedom movement is a typical instance. The matter was not referred to ICHR for its 'expert opinion.' The Nehru Memorial Museum and Library at Teen Murthy in New Delhi, an oasis of academic excellence and freedom of thought, (where this writer had the privilege to officiate as Director for two years) is already a museum for all the Prime Ministers. The national interest served by this titular and functional mutations is unknown.

The recent 'beautification' of Jallianwala Bagh Memorial, too, had invited adverse responses as the changes seem to have altered the mood and spirit of the monument. It is reported that the serene and simple Sabarmati Ashram of Mahatma Gandhi is also facing a similar 'beautification threat.' The biggest giveaway was when ICHR overlooked Jawaharlal Nehru in the poster designed for 75 years of Independence. (However, they condescended to include him in the next one.)

The other apparently unrelated news to be juxtaposed to these reported facts of selective memory is the appointment of a committee headed by Dr Kasturirangan for drafting the National Curriculum Framework (NCF) for school education, in accordance with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, prepared a year ago by another committee under his chairmanship. There is considerable sense in the same person heading the Curriculum Framework Committee, as the philosophy of the NEP could be faithfully invoked. The new committee is mandated to develop four curriculum frameworks; for early childhood education, school education, teacher education and adult education. The Framework will provide guidelines for syllabus, text books and teaching practices.

The National Education Policy rightly aims 'to have an education system by 2040 that is second to none' and 'aligned with the aspirational goals of 21st century education, while building upon India's traditions and value systems.' The policy further admits that 'the rich heritage of ancient and eternal Indian knowledge and thought has been a guiding light'. In short, the NEP wants our educated youth to be international in outlook with Indian values and ethos. While translating the ideas and vision enshrined in the NEP into the Curriculum Framework, this committee will have to overcome two temptations. The first temptation is to ignore or underplay the seminal fact that education is in the Concurrent List of the Constitution. While the NCF may serve as a model, the right of the States to independently design their curriculum is inalienable. The NCF will be useful for the country if it is truly inclusive and vibrant enough to accommodate the spectacular variety of India.

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School curriculum is a far more potent and serious instrument than political projects or the knee jerk verdicts of bodies like ICHR. The educational ethos of a nation as multicultural and diverse as ours can ill-afford to be narrow and parochial. The second temptation to resist is the groundswell in favour of serving the ideological preferences of the ruling political party. With increasing instances where non-experts 'authentically' (or authoritatively) share mythology as history and superstitions as science, the committee for designing the NCF, headed by a scientist, should uphold scientific objectivity and inclusivity.

Unenlightened attempts to define and familiarise Indian heritage, intellectual traditions and culture is fraught with dangers, which the committee has to clearly recognise and strongly resist. Indian culture has multiple sources and they have coexisted and integrated among themselves over the centuries. Any notion about the 'singularity of culture' needs to be questioned. As Romila Thapar observes, the idea of singularity, often upheld in nationalist claims, is a 'debatable question as to whether such a claim to singularity characterises a national identity. Nationalism by definition is meant to be a collective, inclusive position, and would therefore have to incorporate the existing range of culture.' (Indian Cultures as Heritage: Contemporary Pasts)

Education is all about broadening mental horizons where all differences can co-exist without conflict. The committee authorised to draft the NCF cannot afford to acquiesce to partisan compulsions. A Curriculum Framework, which is non-inclusive and slanted, will indeed be a disservice to our children. Selective memory that may be politically expedient is abhorrent in education. Intellectual cowardice that may be necessary for pliant government institutions to survive is hemlock to students who should be driven by knowledge capital, scientific temper, inquiring mind and cosmopolitan values. They should have the 'audacity' at least to find out who the first Prime Minister of Independent India was.

QUOTE CORNER

Michael Kovrig and Michael Spavor left Chinese airspace on their way back home. These two men have been through an unbelievably difficult situation, but it is inspiring and it is good news for all of us that they are on their way home

Justin Trudeau, Canadian Prime Minister

My life has been turned upside down. It was a disruptive time for me. Every cloud has a silver lining. I will never forget all the good wishes I received from people around the world.

Meng Wanzhou, Huawei Chief Financial Officer

As the first female president in the history of my country, the burden of expectation to deliver gender equality is heavier on my shoulder. Covid-19 is threatening to roll back the gains that we have made

Samia Suluhu Hassan, Tanzanian President

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Epics and religion

Looking at the manner in which the country is led to face chaos and confusion, God is justified in lamenting that He won't be around to see when our country could turn a splendid land admired by all! ('Happenings after Kamba Ramayanam', Sept 19). As rightly pointed out by TJS George, most of our epics have been transformed into religious scripts and made to lose their literary greatness and lustre. One really shudders to think what our future generation is destined to acquire, with the RSS bent on rewriting the history religion-based courtesy support of those at the helm of affairs.

Tharcius S Fernando, Chennai

Jittery Congress veterans

The Congress seems to be copying the BJP's rejig in states by changing the CMs with trusted young people. But there is a difference. Congress has many veterans who cannot be easily brushed aside, which is possible to an extent in BJP thanks to the strong combine of Modi-Shah. But Rahul, Priyanka cannot fill that slot and definitely the party may have to face serious repercussions. The party already has a dissident group of 23 leaders. Veterans like Amarinder Singh, Ashok Gehlot, Bhupinder Hooda may be forced to join that gang or even start their own outfit. As such, it will be interesting to see how Congress will face this.

VS Ganeshan, Bengaluru

Pakistan in self-delusion

This has reference to the news 'In meet with Modi, Harris talks of Pakistan role in terror'. Pakistan has to realise that it was US vice-president Kamala Harris who first raised the subject of terrorism in her bilateral talks with PM Modi. While India is gifted with many Ts such as Tradition, Technology, Trade, Treaty, Trusteeship, Pakistan is overwhelmed by Terrorism. Pakistan PM Imran Khan is in self-delusion to still support the Taliban. The world is already ravaged by the pandemic and it cannot withstand terrorism. This has to be realised by Pakistan. No amount of justification can convince other nations.

S Arjun Prasanna, Bengaluru

Bolstering ties with US

The strengthening of ties with US and its traditional allies when the epicentre of geo-politics is in the Indo-Pacific is beneficial to India. Not only defence but also economic and technological benefits are in abundance for India. The recent talks bolster our chances to leap forward at a faster pace which will act as a great leveller. With normalisation in Arab-Israel relationship, we can find new routes to tap into European market. India has wonderful opportunities ahead.

Aditya Patnaik, Berhampur

Fragile security at courts

The assassination of a gangster in a Delhi courtroom cannot be brushed aside as just another incident of crime. The ghastly incident exposes the extent of security fragilities in our courtrooms. The assailants were able to outwit the security men in lawyers' attire and that too in spite of a tip-off about the attack. Fortunately only the gangster and his assailants were killed. Anyone inside could have been gunned down, intentionally or accidentally, and that includes the practitioners of law. The entire episode appears straight from a crime thriller but truth is stranger than fiction.

Sanath Kumar TS, Thrissur

Green shoots of recovery

The news 'Finmin lifts spending curbs to boost economic recovery' (Sept 25) shows economy is on a robust recovery path. Stock market boom cannot be a reliable sign of recovery as it is subject to volatility. But significant improvement in direct tax collection and sustained rise in GST collection are sure indicators of economic revival. The ministry has taken a timely decision to remove expenditure curbs. Now, we can expect release of funds to take up capital expenditure unfettered. It will have positive impact on employment generation and growth of tertiary sectors.

Hemanth Bhide, Mangaluru

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Piyush Goyal @PiyushGoyal
Seven years of Make in India. We revolutionalised manufacturing, created global champions & transformed into an attractive investment destination.

Mahua Moitra @MahuaMoitra
Wonder where @India_NHRC and Arun Mishra is hiding in the wake of Assam eviction killings. Clearly some people are more human than others.

Randeep Singh Surjewala @rssurjewala
Slumber, ignorance & apathy for farmers is the only mantra of Bommai govt in Karnataka. They follow their masters in Delhi in tormenting the farmers.

PM Narendra Modi with President Joe Biden in the Oval Office at White House| PTI

'Pak instigator of trouble in India's neighbourhood'

Shringla says Quad nations agreed that more careful examination of Pak role in Af needed

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

PAKISTAN has been an instigator of problems that India is tackling in its neighbourhood, though it has been projecting itself as a 'facilitator', Foreign Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla said.

"Both in the bilateral discussions as well as in the forum discussions, there was a clear sense that a more careful examination and monitoring of Pakistan's role in Afghanistan was needed," Shringla said in a press briefing after the bilateral meeting between Prime Minister Narendra Modi and US President Joe Biden and the Quad Summit. "An important factor which sometimes gets overlooked is when you see Pakistan, protecting itself as a facilitator, whereas, it has really been in many senses an instigator of some of the problems that we are dealing with in our neighbourhood and beyond."

The foreign secretary went on to add that in the bilateral meeting, there were concerns expressed on Pakistan continuing support for an approach in Afghanistan, which was not conducive to the international community's expectations.

"Both sides denounced any use of terrorist proxies and emphasised the importance of denying the logistical, financial or military support to terrorist groups, which could be used to plan or launch terror attacks," he said and added that India and the US would be organising a counter-terrorism joint working group.

Elaborating on the bilateral meeting, the foreign secretary said that the leaders laid emphasis on developing trade and economic relations between the two countries. "The two leaders felt that they should ask their ministers concerned — Commerce and Industries Minister in case of India and US Trade Representative — to see how to impart greater dynamism to the trade bilateral relationship, how to more speedily implement some of the decisions that could involve further accelerating the trade ties between the two countries," Shringla said.

There was also a discussion on the TRIPS paper and India appreciated the US decision to support the initiative by India and South Africa, to seek a waiver of IPR at the WTO, so that vaccines could be made more widely available, particularly in the developing world, the foreign secretary added.

Intel warns of spurt in attack by terrorists using API in Valley

SANA SHAKIL @ New Delhi

SECURITY agencies have received an intelligence report about a possible spurt in attacks by terrorists using Armour Piercing Incendiary (API) in Jammu and Kashmir. The API is a type of projectile that has the potential to pierce through body armours and bulletproof vehicles.

According to the intel received, these APIs, which were earlier provided to anti-India terror groups by Pakistan, could now fall into the hands of terrorists, such as Lashkar-e-Taiba in large numbers, through their nexus with the Taliban.

In response, the Ministry of Home Affairs has ordered troops posted in the Valley to double their body armours, helmets and bulletproofing materials used to shield jawans and their vehicles, highly placed sources said.

In the backdrop of the emerging scenario following the Taliban's takeover of Afghanistan, there is apprehension that more APIs may be brought into Inida by foreign terrorists in coming months.

More than a dozen encounters involving APIs have already taken place since the dastardly February 14 Pulwama attack in which primarily Jaish-e-Mohammad terrorists had been found involved.

Over the past few years, multiple reports prepared by the United Nations have claimed that groups like the JeM and LeT were working in close coordination with the Taliban.

"From India's security point of view, the rise of Taliban in Afghanistan will begin to show only around March-April when the snow starts to melt over high passes in Kashmir. Pakistan may try to push terrorists with advanced weapons to India through Afghanistan as they have done in the past. We want to upgrade our API resistance abilities," a senior government functionary said.

He added that both the Central Reserve Police Force and Jammu and Kashmir police have been asked by the MHA to at least double the high-grade bulletproof equipment required to counter API.

According to sources, CRPF alone has around 2,000 armoured troop carriers at its disposal in Jammu and Kashmir. The central police force has around 15,000 bulletproof helmets and 35,000 bulletproof jackets, out of which around 2,000, mostly used by quick response teams, are equipped to counter API attacks.

Legislature needs to revisit laws: CJI

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

CJI NV Ramana in Puri on Saturday | PTI

CHIEF Justice of India N V Ramana on Saturday again pushed for 'Indianisation' of the justice delivery system while drawing attention to the roles that the executive and the legislature can play in making it more people-friendly. He also urged the legislature to revisit laws to suit the needs of the times and the people so that they match practical realities.

"The Executive and the Legislature should function in unison in realising the constitutional aspirations. It is only then that the Judiciary would not be compelled to step in as a law-maker and would only be left with the duty of applying and interpreting the same. It is the harmonious functioning of the three organs of the State that can remove the procedural barriers to justice," the CJI said during the inauguration of the new building of the Odisha State Legal Service Authority in Cuttack, Odisha.

He said there is a need for the executive and the legislature to work hand-in-hand in realising constitutional aspirations. "I emphasise, our laws must match with our practical realities. The executive has to match these efforts by way of simplifying the corresponding rules," CJI Ramana said.

Stating that the Indian judicial system is faced with twin challenges, he pointed out that the first one is that of 'Indianisation' of the justice delivery system. "Even after 74 years of Independence, traditional and agrarian societies which have been following customary ways of life feel hesitant to approach the courts," he said. The practices, procedures, language of our courts feel alien to them," the CJI said, adding that between the complex language of the acts and the process of justice delivery, the common man seems to lose control over the fate of his grievance.

The CJI said the second challenge is that people should be "enabled to decode the justice delivery system by raising awareness". He highlighted the importance of Legal Services Authorities, saying they have become an integral part of judicial administration. He announced that a nationwide, robust legal awareness mission will be launched soon.

NCPCR asks Gehlot to rethink Bill

JAIPUR: The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights on Saturday shot off a letter to Rajasthan Chief Minister Ashok Gehlot, asking him to "rethink and overview" the provisions of the Rajasthan Compulsory Registration of Marriages (Amendment) Bill recently passed by the state assembly. NCPCR Chairperson Priyank Kanoongo said the amendments might lead to a serious physical, social and psychological impact on minors and their education. The NCPCR argues that the Bill has virtually legitimised child marriages and goes against the Central Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006. Citing a Supreme Court ruling, it said the JJ Act gives a clear indication that a girl who is at imminent risk of marriage before attaining the age of 18 is in need of care and protection. *ENS*

Home Minister Amit Shah is felicitated at an event in the capital | PARVEEN NEGI

Farm cooperative in every village on the anvil, says Amit Shah

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

A new cooperative policy for 2021-22, amendment of the multi-state co-operative societies act to facilitate the functioning of the multi-state cooperative societies was among the key announcements made by Amit Shah on Saturday as he addressed the first Sehkarita Sammelan or 'National Cooperative Conference' as the union cooperation minister.

Shah also announced that the number of Primary Agriculture Cooperatives (PACs) would be increased to 3 lakh in the next five years. At present, there are about 65,000 PACs.

"We will set a target to establish a PAC in every second village in the coming five years... The path of development of crores of farmers, the deprived, the backwards, the Dalits, the poor, the neglected and women can only take place through cooperation," he said

The Union home minister also sought to dispel apprehensions about the ministry of cooperation that was created in July this year.

Addressing the gathering comprising over 2,100 representatives of different cooperatives and nearly 6 crore online participants, Shah said some people wonder why the Centre created this new ministry as the cooperatives are a state subject.

Shah said there could be a legal response to it, but he does not want to "get into this argument." He emphasised that the centre would cooperate with states and "there will be no friction."

"We will work with all states to take forward the cooperative movement," he said, and stressed that the Ministry of Cooperation has been formed to strengthen and modernise the sector.

On the proposed new cooperative policy, the home minister said a policy was brought in 2002 by the then PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee, and now the Modi government would start working on a new policy.

Citing the importance of cooperatives, Shah said 29 per cent of farm loans, 35 per cent of urea production and 31 per cent of urea distribution was done through cooperatives. The minister added that 91 per cent of villages have cooperative societies.

SHAKE-UP

Parliament panels to be reconstituted

MANISH ANAND @ New Delhi

WITH the parliamentary standing committees set to be recast this month, the spotlight appears to be on the Congress MP Shashi Tharoor who had been at loggerheads with his BJP counterparts.

The ministers who previously headed the parliamentary standing committees, including Bhupender Yadav, Meenakshi Lekhi and RCP Singh, will cede the space for new faces.

There are 24 department-related standing committees, which include 16 administered by the Lok Sabha Secretariat and eight by the Rajya Sabha Secretariat. The presiding officers of the two Houses have already sounded political parties on the reconstitution of the committees.

Tharoor, who headed the IT panel, had been at the centre of the confrontations with the BJP, with the face-off escalating during the monsoon session when the two Houses were rocked by the Pegasus row. The BJP MPs who are members of the panel, including Nishikant Dubey, had submitted written complaints about Tharoor.

Veteran Congress leader P Chidambaram had headed the parliamentary panel on home affairs before his arrest. He was succeeded by Congress MP Anand Sharma. It's anticipated that he will make a comeback to head one of the parliamentary panels.

While BJP MP Jayant Sinha heads the panel on finance, the saffron outfit may field a replacement for him in line with the party strategy to groom leaders in its ranks by giving them responsibilities in the standing committees.

The committees consist of 31 members — 21 from the Lok Sabha and 10 from the Rajya Sabha. Such committees have tenures for a year.

Some of the dropped ministers like Ravi Shankar Prasad, Prakash Javadekar and Harsh Vardhan, may be accommodated in the standing committees on the lines of Radha Mohan Singh who, after being dropped as minister for agriculture, headed the panelon railways.

500 new political parties registered in 2.5 years

KUMAR VIKRAM @ New Delhi

REGISTRATION of political parties has recorded a spike in last two years as every alternate day a new political outfit has come up in some or the other part of the country. Nearly 500 new political parties have registered with the Election Commission between April 2019 and August 2021. Besides, over 100 new political outfits have applied for registration in past two months alone.

As per the latest EC data, the number of unrecognised political parties has increased from 2,301 to 2,796 during the above period, recording a jump of over 20 per cent. Currently, there are eight national parties and over 50 state parties.

A close look at the 2019 Lok Sabha election data showed negligible participation of these unrecognised parties in the polls. As per the EC only 0.06% of votes were secured by such parties during in 2019.

Officials said while the registration process of political parties is easy, their role in unlawful or corrupt activities can't be denied. "In some cases, these smaller parties also eat into the vote shares of the bigger ones. These parties might also be used for money laundering as they are exempted from income tax," said an official.

Lack of transparency has also been observed with respect to these unrecognised outfits. Advocate Umesh Sharma said most of such parties have ulterior motives. "Some indulge in corrupt activities as they are free to collect donations and enjoy tax exemption even if they don't contest polls."

Sharma added that sometimes, bigger political parties use the infrastructure of these parties during campaigning. "There is a limit on the use of vehicles and other logistics. In such cases, logistics issued in the name of unrecognised parties are used by the big ones."

Kanhaiya, Mevani to join Cong next week

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mumbai/Patna

FORMER JNU students' union president Kanhaiya Kumar and Gujarat MLA Jignesh Mevani are set to join the Congress next week, party sources said. The two would be joining the grand old party in New Delhi on September 28, according to sources.

Kumar had joined the Communist Party of India (CPI) ahead of the 2019 Lok Sabha election and had unsuccessfully contested from Begusarai in Bihar against Giriraj Singh of the BJP.

Mevani, a Scheduled Caste leader and currently a legislator from the Vadgam constituency in Gujarat, is the convener of the Rashtriya Dalit Adhikar Manch. He is a lawyer-activist and a former journalist.

Mevani's entry into the Congress comes at a time when it is wooing the Scheduled Castes after making one amongst them the chief minister of Punjab. He had met with Congress leader Rahul Gandhi recently where this decision of joining the party was taken.

Sources said that Mevani will be made a working president of the party's state unit while Kanhaiya is likely to be given a bigger role in Bihar ahead of the 2024 Lok Sabha polls.

Mevani's entry ot the Congress shows the party wants to bring in more strong SC voices. He had hailed the party's decision to make a SC leader the Punjab CM. "It will have a tremendous impact amongst not just Dalits but all the subaltern masses. For Dalits, the move is not just brilliant but soothing too" he had tweeted.

Sources in the Congress said Rahul Gandhi wants to overhaul the Congress by bringing more young and fresh faces to take on the BJP.

Political strategist Prashant Kishore, according to sources, is instrumental in bringing both Kanhaiya and Mevani into party as part of strategy to counter the ruling BJP.

EXPRESS READ

'Next best friend' of Ram Lalla passes away

Lucknow: The 'next best friend' of Ram Lalla in the Ram Janmabhoomi-Babri Masjid title dispute case, Triloki Nath Pandey, 77, passed away at the Ram Manohar Lohia hospital here on late Friday night after a prolonged illness. He played a prominent role in the civil suit right from Faizabad district court up to the Supreme Court. He was bestowed with the ownership of Ram Janmabhoomi by the Supreme Court decree of November 9, 2019, by virtue of his stature as 'Fast Friend of Ram Lalla'. Pandey, who originally belonged to Ballia district, joined the RSS in 1964. He came to Ayodhya in 1983 and lived there since then.

COVID TRACKER

3,01,442 Active cases

1,280 Rise in active cases

15,92,421 Tests in 24 hours

1.33% CASE FATALITY RATE

1.86% DAILY POSITIVITY RATE

97.78% NATIONAL RECOVERY RATE

Source: Union Health Ministry

Kamla Bhasin, the woman who made 'azadi' a war cry for youth, passes away

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ New Delhi

THE voice that first chanted '*azadi*', which has today become a rallying cry for the youth across the nation, has fallen silent. Eminent women's rights activist, poet and author and feminist icon Kamla Bhasin passed away in New Delhi on Saturday after a battle with cancer. She was 75.

The demise of Bhasin, one of the most prominent voices in the women's movement in India and South Asian countries for past nearly five decades, is a big setback for the women's rights. "She celebrated life whatever the adversity. Kamla you will always live in our hearts. In Sisterhood, which is in deep grief," activist Kavita Srivastava tweeted.

The chant of '*azadi*' which echoed across protest sites in the country is said to have been popularised by Bhasin as a feminist slogan against patriarchy.

In 2002, she founded the feminist network Sangat, which works with underprivileged women from rural and tribal communities, often using non-literary tools such as plays, songs and art. Several of her books on gender theory and feminism have been translated into over 30 languages.

Netizens took to Twitter to condole Bhasin's demise. Supreme Court lawyer Prashant Bhushan said Bhasin was not only a women's rights activist, but also a philanthropist who set up and helped setting up many fine publicinterest institutions like Jagori in Himachal Pradesh and School for Democracy in Rajasthan.

Social activist Harsh Mander tweeted to express grief: "Immense grief at passing of Kamla Bhasin. She has been and will remain a massive influence on many generations, teaching us by word, action, poetry, song & storytelling the equality of genders. She loved life, loved people."

Congress leader Shashi Tharoor shared Bhasin's poem and posted a message, "Farewell to the inspiring Kamla Bhasin, voice of women's empowerment, heroine of girls' education, immortal poet."

MORE RAINS

The IMD on Saturday predicted the formation of a new low-pressure system near the coast of Myanmar, which, in all probability, will dump heavy rain in West Bengal's southern districts next week

2 HELD IN UP FOR POSTING ABUSIVE VIDEO AGAINST PM & CM

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	31	24	Mumbai	31	27
Bhopal	30	24	Panaji	30	25
Jaipur	27	22	Patna	36	27
Amritsar	32	25	Lucknow	35	28
Chennai	34	28	Port Blair	29	26
Kolkata	33	27	Imphal	29	21
Srinagar	32	13	Chandigarh	35	26

Call for front of regional parties to counter Centre

Satraps of smaller parties share stage at Jind, support farmers' stir

HARPREET BAJWA @Chandigarh

The event was held to mark the birth anniversary of former deputy PM Devi Lal

SEVERAL regional political parties like the INLD, SAD and the National Conference on Saturday put up a show of strength at Jind in Haryana on the 108th birth anniversary of the late deputy PM Devi Lal and also backed the stir against the Centre's farm laws.

The event saw a surprise participation of BJP leader and former Union minister Birender Singh.

Addressing the meeting, former Punjab chief minister Parkash Singh Badal advocated forming a platform of regional parties. Badal said: "Unless the regional parties gain strength nothing will happen. The people sitting in Delhi have never visited or seen a village. They do not know the problems faced by the villagers, hence they cannot solve them."

Badal urged the people to give strength to regional parties so that their issues could be resolved. "The governments formed by regional parties in the states know the ground realities and understand the day-to-day problems faced by the public," he further said.

He urged former Haryana CM and INLD supremo Om Parkash Chautala Chautala, and senior BJP leader and Birender Singh to bring all the regional parties in the country and leaders of the opposition parties together on a single platform by visiting each and every state.

Slamming the Centre over the farm laws and asking the farmers to hold their agitation like what Mahatma Gandhi had done, former Jammu and Kashmir CM Farooq Abdullah said, "The Centre is under the grip of industrialists and that is why it want to sacrifice the farmers. But a day will come when the government will have to bow down before the protesting farmers."

Former Union minister Birender Singh said though it has been claimed that hundreds became millionaires in the past some years, there was no "crorepati" among farmers. A few people have control over the country's wealth, gold, silver and diamonds, he said.

Former Haryana CM Om Prakash Chautala also supported the ongoing farmers' stir. He claimed following the Ellenabad by-election, the present BJP-JJP coalition government in the state will "fall".

RLD aims to cash in on Jat 'annoyance'

NAMITA BAJPAI @Lucknow

File photo of RLD leader Jayant Chaudhury with farmer leader Rakesh Tikait

THE Rashtriya Lok Dal (RLD) is trying to revive its fortunes in the Uttar Pradesh assembly polls, especially in the Jat dominated western UP.

The party, headed by Jayant Chaudhury, son of former Union minister late Chaudhury Ajit Singh and great grandson of popular farmer leader and former prime minister Chaudhury Charan Singh, is believed to enjoy clout among the Jats. The party is now looking to capitalise on the "annoyance" of Jats with the BJP over the contentious farm laws.

In the upcoming battle, the RLD, which has been mobilising farmers against the farm laws, is banking upon not only on the unrest among farmers but also on the coming together of Jats and Muslims for a common cause.

"The party is hopeful of doing well in 2022 as the social equations are undergoing a change in the wake of farmers' protest in western UP," said a senior RLD leader.

The RLD leadership thinks that if it is a hung assembly in 2022, then the party will play a big role in government formation. "So it is of utmost importance to win good number of seats which doesn't seem impossible," said the leader.

Jats constitute around 6-7 per cent of total population of Uttar Pradesh and make considerable 15 per cent of western UP population. The community has a sway on 130 seats across 26 districts under six divisions of western UP.

In the last three polls – 2014, 2017, 2019 — Jats had voted overwhelmingly for the BJP.

Jayant Chaudhury, also a Jat, had showed his clout at the 'pagadi' ritual of his father Chaudhury Ajit Singh who died in May this year. The convergence of various khaps, not only dominated by Jats but also others, to transfer the legacy of Chaudhurys to Jayant at the ritual, has not only given strength to the Chaudhury scion but also instilled confidence in the RLD leadership.

RLD sources said Jayant is nurturing Chhaprauli seat, considered a bastion of Chaudhurys, to contest the upcoming elections. Chhaprauli has been known as the 'Karmbhoomi' of Chaudhury Charan Singh.

'Dad motivated me to take up civil services'

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RIGHT FROM childhood my father talked about how a collector could change a district. That why I wanted to become a civil servant," she said.

Anil or Nimishi are not isolated cases but representatives of how indomitable will surmounts all hurdles. If Nimishi thanks her father's backing for her 622nd rank, Bihar's Nawada native Niranjan Kumar, too, has his tobacco seller father for the 535th rank he secured in the elite services list.

Motivated by family

Anil Basak's family lives in a rented house at Kishanganj. Anil said it was his parent's struggles that kept him motivated. After school, he went to Kota for coaching and successfully cracked the IIT-JEE. He studied civil engineering at IIT Delhi but he continued preparing for the civil services examination

Tejashwi bids for consensus on caste census; writes to non-BJP leaders

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @Patna

OPPOSITION leader Tejashwi Yadav is attempting to create a national consensus on caste census. He has written letters to 33 leaders in this regard.

Political mercury in Bihar suddenly shot up on Saturday. This, after the Centre's declared inability to conduct the caste census as part of the 2021-national census in the Supreme Court.

Yadav, without waiting for the response from CM Nitish Kumar, launched a 'letter-war' against the Centre on the caste census on OBCs as part of the ongoing nation census 2021.

By writing to the country's 33 senior leaders-mostly of the anti-BJP parties, with the only exception of Bihar CM Nitish and NDA ally HAM chief Jitan Ram Manjhi, Yadav requested the leaders to have a united effort.

"There have been considerable debates recently on the importance of the caste census. There is not a single rational reason against the desirability of caste. Before the exercise begins we must urge the Centre to include within the delayed 2021 census the caste census as well," Yadav has stated in his letter.

"The census of India must deliberate upon the flaws in the way it conducted the first Socio-Economic and Caste Census (SECC) in 2011 with the help of experts. This will ensure that the error-ridden process which rendered the data useless can be corrected. This will also prevent a colossal waste and a fraud on the most disadvantaged people of our country," Yadav said.

He said the demand for the caste-based census should be seen as a necessary step in nation-building. "The ruling party doesn't have a single rational reason against not conducting the caste census," Tejashwi stated in the letter.

Manjhi advises RJD leader not to play politics

Former CM Jitan Ram Manjhi, however, asked Tejashwi Yadav not to do politics on the issue as CM Nitish Kumar would take initiative on the caste census to a fruitful end. "I think, it is very important to talk to the Prime Minister on this subject through an all-party meeting again," he told the media. Meanwhile, Nitish Kumar left for New Delhi on Saturday for attending a high-level meeting called by Home Minister Amit Shah with 10 CMs of naxal-affected states on Sunday and thereafter to meet with some BJP leaders to discuss the caste census. Sources said that Nitish Kumar after coming back from New Delhi may put his statement on Monday on the issue. "This is the first time Tejashwi taking a lead in demanding caste census without waiting for the response of CM Nitish Kumar. It shows how desperate he," said a JDU leader.

ASSAM CM

'Have proof for involvement of outsiders in Darrang havoc'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Guwahati

THE Assam government claimed that it has evidence about the involvement of certain individuals in Thursday's violence in Darrang district during an eviction drive.

Chief Minister Himanta Biswa Sarma said some outside elements had mobilised people and created havoc. They had collected ₹28 lakh from the poor and landless families of Darrang in the last three months promising that they would convince the government against eviction, the CM said.

"We have the names of six people with clear intelligence that ₹28 lakh was collected," Sarma said on Saturday. He said prior to the day of the incident, some members of the Popular Front of India had visited the site in the name of distributing food items. "The evidences are now emerging, indicating the involvement of certain people," the CM said.

"The eviction drive was carried out for 60 families. Where did 10,000 people come from? I think we will get a lot more information once the judicial probe begins," he said.

Giving an example of how serious the problem of land encroachment, he said the amount of land under encroachment was more than the size of Goa.

He also attacked the Congress for its criticism of his government. Either the Congress has not been able to understand the Assamese language or it has bidden adieu to the community thinking that it is, in any case, going to be a minority in 10 years and the votes of the Assamese will hardly have any value, Sarma said.

BJP stopped me from visiting Italy out of 'jealousy': Mamata

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Kolkata

LAUNCHING a blistering attack over the Centre's decision to deny West Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee permission to participate in a world peace conference to be held in Italy in October, Mamata alleged the decision was taken out of "jealousy."

At a rally in Bhowanipore, Mamata revealed that she was invited for the conference as a representative of Asia but the central government stopped her from visiting the country. The Ministry of External Affairs did not comment on why she was denied permission to go to Italy.

"They (the BJP) talk about peace. But I have been barred from participating in a peace conference. I was invited as a representative from Asia. But the Centre denied permission citing political ground and saying it wasn't right for the CM to attend this programme. This is total jealousy," she said. The CM slammed the saffron party, labelling it as "Talibani BJP." Urging the electorate to defeat the BJP in the by-election, she said, "You (the BJP) will not be able to stop me. Bhowanipore will show the path to derail the Centre and the rest of the country will follow it. Talibani BJP can't run India," she said.

Mamata said: "You (Modi) are visiting a foreign country. I have no issue regarding it because a PM has to go overseas for the sake of the country. But why was I barred from going to Italy? You are totally jealous," she asked.

Mamata said the peace conference will be attended by representatives from Muslim and Christian communities. "The BJP talks about Hindutva and seeks votes. I would have been the face of the Hindu community at the peace conference. But they did not allow me to participate in the event," she said.

GREEN LESSONS

College students collect plastic waste as part of a beach clean-up drive at Chowpaty in Mumbai on Saturday | PTI

PUNJAB REJIG

7 fresh faces as cabinet swearing-in today

HARPREET BAJWA @Chandigarh

THE swearing-in ceremony of the new Punjab cabinet, with 15 ministers and seven likely new faces, under CM Charanjit Singh Channi, is scheduled on Sunday evening.

Last Sunday, Channi and his two deputies — Sukhjinder Singh Randhawa and OP Soni — had taken the oath of office.

It is expected that at least seven new faces will make it to the new cabinet.

The likely new faces are Dr Raj Kumar Verka, Sangat Singh Gilzian, Amrinder Singh Raja Warring, Rana Gurjeet, Gurkirat Singh Kotli, Kuljit Singh Nagra, and Pargat Singh. Pargat, Nagra, and Warring are close to Navjot Sidhu and Verka is an SC.

Senior OBC party leader and PCC working president Gilzian had raised the issue of non-representation of OBC MLAs in the cabinet. Thus, he is likely to be accommodated in the cabinet.

Also, those who rallied behind Sidhu in the power tussle with Amarinder are likely to find a place in the cabinet. Thus two former ministers — Tript Rajinder Singh Bajwa and Sukhbinder Sarkaria — who were in the rebel group, are sure to get a place in the new cabinet.

Also, former finance minister Manpreet Singh Badal, who played the role to get Channi as CM, former education minister Vijay Inder Singla, a Hindu face and confidant of Rahul Gandhi, and Brahm Mohindra, the seniormost minister in Amarinder cabinet also a Hindu face, two former women ministers — Razia Sultana and Aruna Chaudhary — who were in the Amarinder ministry, are likely to be re-inducted.

'Power Couple' out

The new dispensation has repalced Punjab's 'Power Couple' Vini Mahajan (chief secretary) and Dinkar Gupta (DGP). The couple was close to Capt Amarinder Singh

Bidens of Nagpur unsure of ties with US Prez

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @Mumbai

THE 'Bidens of Nagpur' came to India in 1873 as East India Company's employees. Although they share US President Joe Biden's surname, they don't have documents to prove kinship with him.

During his meeting with PM Modi, Biden had said that after becoming a senator in 1972, he had received a letter from one of the Bidens in India and learned that his "great, great, great, great grandfather" worked in the East India Company. The letter was written by Nagpur-based Leslie Biden, whose grandchildren live in Nagpur. Leslie claimed his family had been living there since 1873.

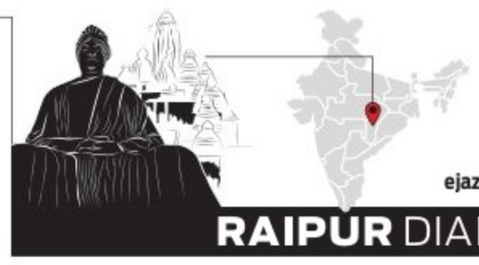
Leslie was the manager of the Bharat Lodge and Hostel and Bharat Café. From Illustrated Weekly of India's issue of March 28-April 4, 1981, Leslie came across an article about the then US senator, Joe Biden. Then, he got in touch with Joe Biden through a letter sent on April 15, 1981. Joe Biden even replied to Leslie through a letter dated May 30, 1981. Later in 1983, Leslie died in the orange city – Nagpur. Leslie Biden's descendants live in Nagpur, Mumbai, the US, Australia, and New Zealand.

Joe Biden's ancestor George Biden was a Captain in the East India Trading company. After retirement, he decided to settle in India and married an Indian woman.

When Joe Biden came to Mumbai in 2013 as the Vice-President of America, he said that his distant relatives were living in Nagpur. When contacted, Rowena Biden, one of the Bidens of Nagpur, refused to talk about it. "Our elders will speak on this relationship," Rowena said.

NDMC wins big at corporate awards event

Mining giant National Mineral Development Corporation Ltd (NMDC), with almost 70 per cent share of its annual iron ore production concentrated in Chhattisgarh, has emerged as a big winner at All India Corporate Collateral Awards 2021. The organisation brought home Corporate Communication Excellence Awards in 13 categories at the Global Communication Conclave organised by the Public Relations Council of India. "NMDC understands the responsibility of creating awareness about the mine-to-metal value chain," said P Jaya Prakash, head of corporate communication-NMDC.



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RAIPUR DIARY

Sports facilities built at ₹42 cr inaugurated by CM

Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel on Saturday inaugurated various sports facilities worth ₹42 crore in the cities of Raipur and Bilaspur. The academies of football, archery, athletics and kabaddi were launched while ground breaking was performed for two sports hostels, a synthetic track and field for athletics. Once clubbed among the Bimaru (acronym coined for the poor backward centrally located) states, the state of Chhattisgarh trying to realise its potential by nurturing future sports champions with 'Khelbo-Jeetbo-Gadbo Nava Chhattisgarh' as the new sports mantra. Chhattisgarh Sports Development Authority is actively engaging in promoting modern and traditional forms of sports among the aspiring youth in the state.

e-Shram portal registration drive attracts crowd

Workers from the unorganised sector turned up in enormous strength to get registered on the e-Shram portal of the ministry of labour and employment. The event was organised by the Common Service Centre (CSC) that delivers Government of India e-Services to rural and remote locations. "Besides agriculture labourers, workers in the field of construction, automobile, transport, hardware, small-scale industries, among others can get registered on the portal," said Brijmohan Agrawal, senior BJP MLA during the registration drive.

Railway GM interacts with train passengers

The general manager of South East Central Railway (SECR) zone, Alok Kumar, and a team of officials interacted with passengers travelling in general, sleeper and air-conditioned coaches to get feedback about the facilities. While advising the passengers to strictly follow the Covid-19 protocol, the GM asked them to cooperate in maintaining cleanliness. Many travellers suggested that the quality of food served in the trains should be improved. They also urged the railways to restore the facilities which were earlier available but withdrawn during the pandemic.

Four
teenagers have been charged with a plot to attack a Pennsylvania high school in 2024.

GLOBAL WEATHER
LR: Light Rain • HR: Heavy Rain • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	21	16	LR	Los Angeles	26	16	SNY
Colombo	29	26	LC	Melbourne	19	9	LR
Dhaka	30	26	TDS	Moscow	9	4	LR
Dubai	41	30	SNY	New York	27	17	SNY
Houston	31	24	LR	Singapore	30	26	TDS
Istanbul	28	20	SNY	Toronto	20	16	SNY
London	21	14	LR	Washington	28	17	SNY

China releases two Canadians as Huawei executive reaches home

TORONTO/BEIJING

TWO Canadians freed from years of detention in China as part of a three way deal involving the US arrived in their country Saturday and were greeted by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau.

TV footage aired by CTV showed Michael Kovrig and Michael Spavor arriving in Calgary in western Canada in the wee hours of Saturday when it was still dark. The two men, wearing suits and face masks, were greeted and hugged warmly by Trudeau at the airport.

The encounter was the culmination of a deal that saw Canada release the Huawei executive Meng Wanzhou, who was also headed home to China Saturday. Meng, the 49-year-old daughter of Ren Zhengfei, the billionaire founder of Chinese telecoms giant Huawei, was granted release in a Vancouver court hearing after three years of house arrest in Canada while fighting extradition to the US.

She was arrested at Vancouver airport at the behest of US authorities on December 1, 2018. The "two Michaels"—as they have been dubbed by international media—were detained in China just days after Meng was, on what Ottawa has contended were "trumped up" espionage charges.

In turn, Beijing called Meng's case "a purely political incident."

Wanzhou returned to China Saturday shortly after two Canadians released from prison in China also arrived in Calgary.

Meng, the 49-year-old daughter of Ren Zhengfei, the billionaire founder of Chinese telecoms giant Huawei, was granted release in a Vancouver court hearing after three years of house arrest in Canada while fighting extradition to the United States.

Meng received a red-carpet welcome as her flight landed, according to a live feed on state broadcaster CCTV, with Huawei employees waiting on the tarmac as a staffer in full protective gear held a bouquet of flowers. Some chanted "Go Huawei!" and sang the national anthem. *AFP*

Front-runners in the race to replace Merkel

GERMANY IS SEEING ITS FIRST THREE-WAY CONTEST FOR THE CHANCELLERY, WITH THE ENVIRONMENTALIST GREENS JOINING THE COUNTRY'S TWO TRADITIONAL BIG PARTIES IN FIELDING A CANDIDATE

OLAF SCHOLZ, 63

Scholz is currently finance minister and vice chancellor, the latest in a string of top posts that have allowed him to tout his experience. Scholz, who **wants to raise Germany's minimum wage and increase taxes for top earners**, argued that anyone calling for tax relief for the rich "can't count, doesn't understand anything about finance"

ARMIN LASCHET, 60

Laschet has been the governor of North Rhine-Westphalia state, Germany's most populous, since dislodging a center-left regional government in 2017. His supporters often point to that success in a traditional stronghold of the left. **Laschet is largely a centrist in Merkel's mold**, backing her welcoming stance toward refugees

ANNALENA BAERBOCK, 40

By far the youngest contender, Baerbock is also the only one with no government experience. "I stand for renewal, others stand for the status quo," she said. **She has focused her pitch on fighting climate change**, her party's central issue. Her party wants to ramp up carbon prices and end the use of coal earlier than planned

A COMPLEX PROCESS

Sunday's vote will decide who sits in the lower house of parliament, or Bundestag, which will then elect the chancellor. The Bundestag is elected for a four-year term

Every voter gets two votes: one for a directly-elected candidate, the other for a party list

Each of the country's 299 constituencies directly elects a lawmaker by a simple majority. At least 299 further seats go to candidates elected on party lists. That vote is critical because it determines the percentage of seats each party wins. If a party wins more seats via the direct vote than it would get under the party vote, it keeps the extra seats

She (Merkel) has completely failed on digitalisation, the climate crisis has worsened, the gap between rich and poor has widened and she has done nothing about inequality of opportunity in schools

Christophe Dierckx, a 27-year-old entrepreneur from Frankfurt

Merkel has always been there. I just took it for granted that she would take care of everything

Robert Mally, a 28-year-old technician from Cologne

60.4 mn people eligible to vote

2.8 mn will be first-time voters

14% of the electorate under the age of 30

33% of the candidates for the Bundestag, which ultimately elects the chancellor, are female — a post-war record

Crucial German elections today

Polls point to neck-and-neck race between Merkel's Union bloc and the Social Democrats

BERLIN

GERMANY'S closely fought election on Sunday will set the direction of the European Union's most populous country after 16 years under Angela Merkel, whose party is scrambling to avoid defeat by its center-left rivals after a rollercoaster campaign.

The environmentalist Greens also are eyeing at least a share of power.

About 60.4 million people in the nation of 83 million are eligible to elect the new parliament, which decides who will be the next head of government. Recent polls point to a neck-and-neck race between Merkel's center-right Union bloc and the Social Democrats, with the latter marginally ahead.

The polls show the Greens, making their first bid for the chancellorship, in third place after a campaign in which all three have held the lead. The Social Democrats' candidate, current finance minister and Vice Chancellor Olaf Scholz, has seen his personal ratings climb amid error-strewn campaigns by his rivals, the Union's Armin Laschet and the Greens' Annalena Baerbock.

Chancellor Angela Merkel and Governor Armin Laschet wave to supporters at the final election campaign event of the Christian Democratic Party on Saturday | AP

Merkel, who remains personally popular after steering Germany through a string of crises, announced in 2018 that she wouldn't go for a fifth term. That set up the first election since West Germany's initial vote in 1949 in which there is no incumbent chancellor seeking re-election.

Voters appear underwhelmed by the choices. Whoever finishes first is expected to get a historically low share of the vote, with polls showing no party expected to get 30% support.

The lowest score so far for a winning party is the Union's 31% in 1949, which also is the bloc's worst showing to date.

Such an outcome would likely trigger lengthy haggling on a new governing coalition, with whichever party finishes first best-placed 'but not guaranteed 'to have its candidate succeed Merkel.

A first-place finish for the Social Democrats, who provided three of Germany's eight post-World War II chancellors but have been Merkel's junior governing partners for 12 of the past 16 years, would be remarkable after a long poll slump for the party. When the Union and the Greens chose their candidates this spring, the election was widely expected to be a race between the two.

The Union was prepared for a Laschet-Baerbock battle and "Laschet wanted practically to act as the incumbent, with all his leadership expertise" from his current job as governor of Germany's most populous state, North Rhine-Westphalia, political science professor Andrea Roemmele of the Hertie School in Berlin said earlier this week. *AP*

People gather in the main square of Herat city on Saturday | AP

TALIBAN HANG BODY OF MAN FROM CRANE

KABUL

THE Taliban hanged a dead body from a crane in the main square of Herat city in western Afghanistan, a witness said on Saturday, in a gruesome display that signaled a return to some of the Taliban's methods of the past.

Wazir Ahmad Seddiqi, who runs a pharmacy on the side of the square, told The Associated Press that four bodies were brought to the main square and three bodies were moved to other parts of the city for public display.

Seddiqi said the Taliban announced in the square that the four were caught taking part in a kidnapping and were killed by police.

Ziaulhaq Jalali, a Taliban appointed district police chief in Herat, said later that Taliban members rescued a father and son who had been abducted by four kidnappers after an exchange of gunfire. He said a Taliban fighter and a civilian were wounded by the kidnappers but "the four (kidnappers) were killed in crossfire."

Mullah Nooruddin Turabi, one of the founders of the Taliban and the chief enforcer of its harsh interpretation of Islamic law when they last ruled Afghanistan, told The Associated Press this week that the hard-line movement will once again carry out executions and amputations of hands, though perhaps not in public.

Since the Taliban overran Kabul on August 15 and seized control of the country, Afghans and the world have been watching to see whether they will re-create their harsh rule of the late 1990s. The group's leaders remain entrenched in a deeply conservative, hard-line worldview, even if they are embracing technological changes, like video and mobile phones. *AP*

US eases Af sanctions to allow aid

WASHINGTON

The United States on Friday night announced two exemptions to its sanctions imposed on Afghanistan in a bid to facilitate the entry of humanitarian aid into the conflict-wracked, Taliban-controlled country.

The provisions allow the US government, aid groups and international organisations "to engage in the provision of humanitarian assistance to Afghanistan or other activities that support basic human needs" there, the US Treasury said.

They also allow "certain transactions related to the exportation or reexportation of agricultural commodities, medicine, and medical devices," the statement said. "Treasury will continue to work with financial institutions, international organisations and the nongovernmental organisation community to ease the flow of critical resources, like agricultural goods, medicine, and other essential supplies, to people in need," said director of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control.

Faced with sanctions and a cutoff in foreign aid following the Taliban's takeover of the country last month, Afghanistan is facing a mounting economic crisis. *AFP*

US states to celebrate October as Hindu Heritage Month

WASHINGTON

SEVERAL US states, including Texas, Florida, New Jersey, Ohio and Massachusetts, have proclaimed October as the Hindu Heritage Month, noting that Hinduism has "contributed greatly" to America through its unique history and heritage.

The proclamations came after various Hindu organisations in the US announced the addition of another major festival, an entire month of festivals, in October as the Hindu Heritage Month.

The respective declarations issued recently from the office of the governors of various states, congressmen and Senators noted, "Communities of the faith have long served as beacons of hope, sharing their beliefs and bettering their communities through service; improving and inspiring the lives of thousands of followers around the world.

Hinduism has contributed greatly to our state and nation through its unique history and heritage."

The Hindu groups in America are now campaigning and striving hard for the declaration of 'Hindu Heritage Month' formally by the US government. *PTI*

CHARM DEFENSIVE

A Palestinian Kung Fu master (R) trains youngsters during a martial arts class at a playground in the village of Halhoul, northwest of Hebron in the occupied West Bank on Saturday | AFP

California to end 'hurtful' practice of calling illegal migrants 'aliens'

SACRAMENTO

CALIFORNIA will strike the word "alien" from its state laws, getting rid of what Governor Gavin Newsom called "an offensive term for a human being" that has "fueled a divisive and hurtful narrative."

Newsom on Friday signed a law that removes the word from various sections of the California state code. California passed laws in 2015 and 2016 that removed the word from the state's labor and education code. But the law Newsom signed on Friday finishes the job by removing the word from all state laws. The word will be replaced with terms like "noncitizen" or "immigrant."

"By changing this term, we are ensuring California's laws reflect our state's values," Newsom said.

The federal government has used the term "alien" to describe people in the US who are not citizens since at least 1798 with the passage of the "Aliens and Sedition Acts." But Assemblywoman Luz Rivas, a Democrat from Arleta, said the word "has become weaponised and has been used in place of explicitly racial slurs to dehumanise immigrants." "The words we say and the language we adopt in our laws matter — this racist term 'alien' must be removed from California statute immediately," Rivas said.

Governments, libraries and news agencies have been updating its immigration language in recent years. Harvard Library announced in March it was removing the phrase "illegal alien" from its cataloging language. And in April, US President Joe Biden ordered immigration agencies to stop referring to migrants as "aliens." *AP*

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA
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Office of Executive Engineer,
Rural Water Supply and Sanitation Division, Harapanahalli.

No.:EE/RDWS&SD/HRP/JJM/E-tender/JE/2021-22/ Dated:24.09.2021

E-tender Notification-22/2021-22
(KTTP Act 2000)

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, Executive Engineer, Rural Drinking Water Supply and Sanitation Division, Harapanahalli hereby invites the tender for Empanelment of Borewells Drilling Agencies for Drilling of Borewels in 4 Taluks of Harapanahalli Division, Vijayanagara District through e- procurement. The information regarding tenders will be made available in (www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in) website. The period to receive the tender from eligible bidders is from 24.09.2021 to 08.10.2021 at 5.00pm and date of opening of technical bid is on 11.10.2021 after 11.00 AM, Pre bid meeting is held on 30.09.2021 at 11.00am in the office of Executive engineer, RDWS&S division, Harapanahalli. For further more information contact above said Office.

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RDW & S Division, Harapanahalli.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
CHANGE OF NAME

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SUREKHA PATIL, W/o. Sanjeev Suresh Patil, Resident of GF1/70-72, Aditya Apartment, Yelachanahalli, Doddakallasandra, Bangalore-560062, Karnataka, India, have changed my name to SUREKHA SANJEEV PATIL for all purposes vide affidavit dated 25/09/2021 before Notary R. J. Solanki, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SRIMAN RAJA PADMANABHAN** R/at Munekolala Bangalore-560037, have changed my Son's Name From **SMAYAN SRIMAN** to **SMAYAN K SRIMAN** vide affidavit dated:24/9/2021 Sworn Before Notary **K.V.Mani** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, S. Saraswathi W/o Late. S.D. Rangaswamaiah, aged about 35 years, R/at No.10, Ramachandrappa Building, Near Poojamma Temple, Hegganahalli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560 091, I state that My Daughter's name is **Grishma.R** only and not **Gaganashree. R**, vide affidavit dated 29.07.2021 Swarn before I Addl Dist & Sessions Judge Bangalore Rural Dist.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **AKSHAYA KUMAR.B.K.,** R/at : Ward No. 21 Muttur Street Sidlaghatta Chikkaballapur-562105. (Camp at Bengaluru) have changed my name to **B.K. AKSHAY KUMAR** vide affidavit dated:25/9/2021 Before Notary **H.S Sakalesh Aradhya** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, VRINDA MENON, aged about 31 years, W/o Atheesh Sankaran, R/at No.109, Spoorthi Saahithya, Singayannapalya, 3rd Main, Mahadevapura, Bengaluru -560048, Karnataka, India, shall henceforth be known as **VRINDA VENUGOPAL MENON,** vide affidavit dated 25.09.2021 before notary K V MANI, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, DHANALAKSHMI, aged about 37 years, W/o Nandalal P. residing at No. 01, Nandana Kutira, 2nd Main, 2nd Cross, Vigneshwara Layout, Shettihalli, Near Visihveshwaraiah Vidyaniketana School. Bangalore 560057 declare that my correct name is DHANALAKSHMI, But in Transfer Certificate & Xth Marks Card of my son MANISH .N my name was wrongly mentioned as P. DHANALAKSHMI and I have declared this as per affidavit dated 25-09-2021 sworn to before Notary Kodi Nagappaya, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **CHANDRASHEKAR,** S/o **Krishnamurthy.N,** aged about 52 years, R/at No.18, Om Shakthi Nilaya, Muniswamy Naidu Layout, Subramanyapura Police Station, Uttarahalli, Bangalore-560061, have changed my name from **CHANDRASHEKARA** to **CHANDRASHEKAR.** vide affidavit dated:24/9/2021 sworn before Notary L.Puttaraju, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) SHENAZ BEGUM, D/o Shaikh Baba, residing at Hunasmaranalli, Sugatta Road, Bengaluru-562157, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) SHENAZ BEGUM** to **(NEW NAME) SHANAZ FATIMA** vide affidavit Dated 25/09/2021 sworn before Notary Lakshminarayana, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, NARASIMHAMURTHY .K.G. aged about 52 years S/o S. Gundappa, R/at No 25, Veerbhadraswamy Nilaya, 2nd Cross, Hesaraghatta Main road. Near Sapthagiri Engineering College, Chikkasandra, Bangalore-560057 declare that my correct name is NARASIMHAMURTHY .K.G. and My daughter date of Birth 11-08-2005, But in Transfer Certificate & Xth Marks Card of my daughter PANCHAMI .N, My name was wrongly mentioned as NARASIMAMURTHY .K.G and My daughter date of Birth 11-05-2005, I have declared this as per affidavit dated 25-09-2021 sworn to before Notary Kodi Nagappaya, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **LOGARANI PERUMAL RADHAKRISHNAN** W/o **SRIMAN RAJA PADMANABHAN** R/at Munekolala Bangalore-560037, have changed my name to **LOGARANI RADHAKRISHNAN** For all future purposes vide affidavit dated:24/9/2021 Before Notary **K.V.Mani** Bangalore.

CHAGNE OF NAME
GUGALLU CHANDRA SEKHAR S/O G. Veerabhadrappa Residing at Flat No.105, B block,1st floor, Sri Sai Supreme Apt, Near Nandhi Park Apartment, Gottigere, Bangaluru-560083. I have correct my name from **GUGALLA CHANDRA SEKHAR** to **GUGALLU CHANDRA SEKHAR** Vide Affidavit **Dated 23.09.2021** SWORN BEFORE THE NOTARY C.V.EARAPPA BANGALURU

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SRIDHAR** AND **SRIDHARA.,** R/at No.893 H1, 10th Cross, Behind Gurusri Hospital, Chandra Layout Bengaluru-560040, have changed my name to **SRIDHARA.M** vide affidavit dated:25/9/2021 Before Notary **H.S.Sakalesh Aradhya** Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, MOHAMED FURQAN, residing at No. 111, 9th Main, 3rd Stage, Pillanna Garden, Kacharakanahalli, Bangalore North, Arabic College, Bangalore-560 045 do hereby declare that in my son's school admission form my name is wrongly mentioned as **MOHAMMED FURQAN** instead of **MOHAMED FURQAN,** and my wife's name is wrongly mentioned as **ANEESHA** instead of **ANISA FURQAN,** vide affidavit dated 8th Sept. 2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **R. BASAVARAJU** at Bangalore.

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NEWSCOPE

WHY THE CHINESE ARE DESTROYING THEIR WEALTH CREATORS

ILLUSTRATION : AMIT BANDRE

GURBIR SINGH

THE deadline for Evergrande Group's $80 million interest payment on its bond holdings has come and gone without a squeak from the Shenzhen-based China real estate developer. The giant, whose model has been to borrow and build, is unable to service its gargantuan $305 billion debt. Though it may not be China's 'Lehman moment' just yet, Evergrande's slide into default is threatening the stability of world markets.

The immediate trigger for the crisis has been the Chinese government tightening financial laws since August 2020. These have made it virtually impossible for the real estate financier to bring in any further debt onto its books. Many see the tightening noose as deliberate as the Chinese government is keen to puncture the real estate bubble.

The expectation that Beijing may bail out Evergrande may be belied. In fact, Chinese officials are telling newspersons that "they are getting ready for a possible storm", and it points in the opposite direction. The government in China will do nothing to save Evergrande. At best, officials have been asked to stand by and mitigate the ripple effects after China's 2nd largest property developer sinks.

There is something consistent about China's rulers' approach to some of the big success models of Chinese capitalism. They are going after all of them.

Going after the tech giants

Alibaba, the onetime competitor of Amazon that raised $25 billion in 2014 on the NY Stock Exchange, is today a shadow of its former self. Jack 'Daddy' Ma, revered as an icon who brought China out from the dark ages, was cut to size and branded a 'bloodsucker' and a violator of Chinese laws.

The IPO of Ant Group, Alibaba's financial services arm that was to raise $35 billion last November, was nixed by government authorities hours before the trading session was to start on the Hong Kong and Shanghai stock exchanges.

More recently, on 8 September, various gaming firms including Tencent Holdings and NetEast Inc were summoned by Chinese officials and threatened they would face a crackdown if they failed to implement new rules for the sector. Ostensibly, they are to salvage the mental health of the young. But these new regulations are being seen as the state moving for increasing control over sectors that include tech, education and property.

A little over a month ago, Martin Lau, President of the tech giant Tencent Holdings, warned investors to be ready for more regulatory curbs. Tencent, China's largest company, reported its slowest pace of quarterly revenue growth since early 2019, faced with crackdowns on the education technology sector and mobile gaming business.

What's behind the axe?

How does one explain this seemingly irrational rush to destroy wealth, and even shut down some of the most successful Chinese tech giants. Some say it is the Chinese government's fear of giving external investors access to these companies' data.

An interesting hypothesis that appeared in Forbes last month said China's President Xi Jinping is in a rush to achieve technological superiority by 2025. In this endeavour, this clutch of gaming, and financial firms like Alibaba, Tencent and ride-hailing company Didi are not of any use as they are not about core technologies. The future, the Chinese state figures, will be built on quantum computers, semiconductors and satellites, and not shopping and gaming apps.

President Xi is worried that tech creativity is not being funneled to hardcore projects such as energy, transportation and healthcare. Instead, technology is being put to use for launching mobile games and e-commerce websites that are instantly popular, offer instant returns and are favourites with the investor community.

While there is rationale in these hypothesis, the real answers lie in the hardening of political lines in the Chinese leadership under President Xi. We must remember the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) is celebrating its 100th anniversary, and there is palpable urgency in the leadership to establish purity of ideology. This includes an ultra-nationalist line of making China strong internally and an important world power externally. The formation of the Australia-UK-US axis to contain China will only reinforce this trend.

Political nationalism is spilling over into the cultural doctrine of the country. In the first week of August, the state media let lose a salvo against the 'spiritual opium' offered by games such as Tencent's popular 'Honour of Kings'. The Economic Information Daily, linked to state media agency Xinhua, said minors were addicted to mindless activity and called for curbs on the gaming industry.

As the Communist Party scrambles to establish 'Xi Jinping Thought' as the new ideology, sectors of the economy that had spun out of control from the party's ambit, are now being pulled in. The tech sector had given China galloping growth, but it also spawned the likes of Jack Ma as independent economic power houses. What we see now is the process of reining in the independent capitalist rogues who had grown too big and had begun to discreetly challenge the lines of state capitalism.

FMCG firms face inflation strain

Prices of items used in manufacturing or packaging have seen double-digit growth y-o-y

SAMIKSHA GOEL @ New Delhi

CONSUMER goods manufacturers have been facing the inflation problem like never before. Price pressures are visible in the commodity market as costs of all raw materials — from copper, aluminium to lumber and crude oil etc. — have been on the rise, and are likely to move upwards.

The year-on-year wholesale prices of many items used by the FMCG companies either in manufacturing or packaging of products have seen double-digit growth. Base metal prices, for example, have gone up year-on-year by 27.5% in August 2021, oil seeds by 54%, vegetable and animal oil fats by 40.5%, textiles by 17%, rubber and plastics by 14%, Chemicals by 12%, and paper & paper products by 11%.

While companies are trying to mitigate costs, if cost pressures continue, they may have to pass on some part of the cost to consumers by increasing prices of products in their portfolio. Industry majors like Marico and Hindustan Unilever Ltd (HUL), Dabur and PepsiCo have already gone for a price hike across brands.

A Tata Consumer Products' spokesperson informed TNIE that the past year saw unprecedented inflation in a key raw material for one of their businesses — India tea, where prices moved up by 70-80% at peak.

"We are now seeing a moderation in tea prices sequentially. We are continuing to track these movements closely and will make sure that we balance between consumer price sensitivity and margins to ensure a strong momentum in the business. During the inflationary period in India tea business, we had consciously not passed on the entire cost to consumers. There is a fine balance to keep between impact on the consumer, price elasticity and competitive dynamics. By doing that, we ensured that volume momentum in the business was maintained," they said.

"In the last few months, we have seen some inflation in packaging materials and freight. However, we have been able to mitigate part of the impact through synergies from the integration of our F&B business. For example, synergies from optimising our network, scale led efficiencies in supply chain etc," they added.

Nestle India Chairman and MD Suresh Narayanan at a recent press conference had also said, there are pressures on raw materials as large economies around the globe are reopening strongly.

He warned that the forward pressures are likely to be more acute than what we have been through at the moment.

The government has recently slashed the customs duty on crude edible oils, because of which the wholesale price of edible oils has been showing a decreasing trend over the last week.

The customs duty on crude palm oil has been reduced to 2.5% from 10%, while the same on soy oil and sunflower oil has been reduced to 2.5% from 7.5%.

Sudhakar Desai, CEO, Emami Agrotech, says all three major oils - soyabean oil, sunflower oil and vegetable oil (palm oil) have seen a drop of ₹3-4 per litre in terms of market operating consumer prices post the duty reduction, but mustard oil hasn't seen any price drop as yet.

Desai explains that after the duty reduction of 5.5% on the 10th of this month, the consumer prices have gone down marginally by about 2-3% as global markets continue to be firm, major reasons for which are tight supply in palm origin countries and continued demand from India and also the global biofuel sector.

"In the domestic front, the crushing sector is also running low leading India to be more import-dependent to meet the forthcoming festival demand. We expect the prices to effectively come down during November and December 2021 with increased domestic oil supplies off kharif crops especially for the ones which are derived from groundnut, soya, cotton, rice bran etc," he says adding, however, mustard oil prices are expected to be firm at the domestic front as the next harvest of mustard crops in India is scheduled only in February/ March 2022.

The price rise in raw materials like base metals, plastic and rubber has also hit the consumer electrical and electronic appliances companies. The smaller manufactures in this space have been specially hit as they are less equipped to deal with supply chain constraints and spiralling commodity prices.

Vipin Aggarwal, Co-Founder, Candes Technology Private Limited, believes that price rise has placed strain on the companies with high-priced appliances as inflation made them even more costly.

"Our USP being affordable and innovative products steered the boat for us at even greater speed," said Aggarwal.

He, however, added, "But eventually if the situation keeps on rising the way it is now, then we will try and make sure that our customers don't suffer much, probably 5-7% increase in the price of the products might be seen."

SOARING INPUT COST: YEAR-ON-YEAR WHOLESALE INFLATION (AUGUST 2021)
Price rise (%)
64 Crude petroleum
54 Oil seeds
40.5 Vegetable and animal oils & fats
27.5 Base metals
17 Textiles
13.6 Rubber and plastics
12 Chemical and chemical products
11 Paper products
Source: Ministry of Commerce

EXPRESS READ

Aadhaar verification must for GST refunds

New Delhi: The government has made Aadhaar authentication of taxpayers mandatory for claiming GST refund. The Central Board of Indirect Taxes and Customs (CBIC) has amended GST rules bringing in various anti-evasion measures, including disbursal of GST refunds only in the bank account, which is linked with same PAN on which Goods and Services Tax (GST) registration has been obtained. The notification follows the decisions taken at GST Council meeting in Lucknow on Sept 17.

I-T dept notifies FY21 'safe harbour' rates

New Delhi: The tax department has notified the 'safe harbour' rates for 2020-21 for calculation of transfer pricing by foreign companies in India. Safe harbour is defined as circumstances in which the tax authority shall accept the transfer price declared by the taxpayer to be at arm's length. The CBDT has extended the applicability of Safe Harbour Rules (SHR) to 2020-21. The rates under SHR applicable from 2016-17 to 2018-19, and later extended to 2019-20, will continue for 2020-21 as well.

Reliance Infra to raise `750 cr through FCCBs

New Delhi: Reliance Infrastructure on Saturday said its board has approved raising up to `750 crore by issuing foreign currency convertible bonds (FCCBs) on a private placement basis. Reliance Infrastructure in a BSE filing also said that Sandeep Khosla has been appointed as Chief Financial Officer (CFO) of the company. "...The Board of Directors of the Company has authorised the issue of up to $100,000,000 unsecured foreign currency convertible bonds maturing in 2031 with a coupon rate of 4.5% on private placement basis.

ED freezes ₹700-cr shares of Karvy

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Hyderabad

THE Enforcement Directorate (ED) has issued an order freezing the shares of Karvy Stock Broking Limited (KSBL) valued at ₹700 crore as per the valuation for the year 2019-20, following searches on the group's offices and that of the offices and residences of its promoters. The ED is conducting an investigation on Karvy Group of Companies for its offence of money laundering to the tune of ₹2,873 crore.

The ED has learnt that Karvy CMD C Parthasarathy is trying to offload his shares in the group companies through private deals to other sources. Thus, in order to preserve the proceeds of crime, it took the decision.

CMD tried to offload shares

CMD C Parthasarathy was trying to offload his shares in group companies, ED found following searches on his residence

The ED had conducted searches on various premises of Karvy Group of Companies, connected entities and at the premises of C Parathasarathy, during which, incriminating evidence in the form of property documents, personal diaries, electronic devices, e-mail dumps were seized.

How it pledged client securities KSBL credited the funds raised by pledging of client securities to six of its own 'Stock Broker-own Account' instead of the 'Stock Broker-Client Account' and further has not reported these six own Stock Broker-own Accounts held with various private banks, to SEBI. Prima facie, a net amount of ₹1,096 crore was transferred by KSBL to its group company Karvy Realty (India) (KRIL), for the period starting from April 1, 2016 till October 19, 2019.

Investigations so far have revealed that KSBL did not report the Depository Participatory (DP) account, Karvy Stock Broking, in BSE in its filings from January 2019 to August 2019 with regulators and exchanges. Further, KSBL fraudulently transferred shares belonging to its clients to its own demat account, which is not disclosed to the exchanges and pledged the shares held in these accounts with the lender banks — HDFC Bank, ICICI Bank, IndusInd Bank and Axis Bank. It also came to light that recently deletion of files and e-mails from the computer servers by using anti-forensic tools had been done, under the instructions of C Parthasarathy, who was arrested by the Hyderabad city police.

Centre approves ₹2,904 crore capex assistance to 8 states

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE central government has approved capital expenditure worth ₹2,904 crore in eight states under the 'Special Assistance to States for Capital Expenditure for 2021-22'. The Centre also released ₹1,394 crore to these states — Bihar, Chhattisgarh, HP, MP, Maharashtra, Punjab, Sikkim and Telangana.

The scheme was launched in April this year to provide the much-needed resources to the states, which due to adverse impact on their revenue collection in the wake of 2nd wave of the Covid could not allocate funds for infrastructure creation.

Under the scheme, special assistance is being provided to states in the form of 50-year interest-free loan up to a sum not exceeding ₹15,000 cr during 2021-22.

The scheme has three parts — ₹2,600 crore allocation to north-eastern states and hill states like Himachal Pradesh, Sikkim and Uttarakhand; ₹7,400 crore for other states and ₹5,000 crore incentives to states for privatisation/disinvestment of the State Public Sector Enterprises (SPSEs) and monetisation/recycling of assets.

For disinvestment of state PSUs, there is no state-specific allocation and funds will be provided on "first-come first-served basis". Under a similar scheme last year, capex proposals of ₹11,911.79 crore of 27 states were approved and an amount of ₹11,830.29 crore was released in 2020-21.

Business & Beyond

Rajbhasa Diwas at Paradip Port Trust

Coinciding with Azadi Ka Amrit Mahostav celebrations, Rajbhasa Diwas was observed by the Paradip Port Trust. AK Bose, Dy. Chairman, PPT, administered the Rajbhasha pledge to HoDs, Dy. HoDs and other senior officials in the Board room. Similarly, the Rajbhasha pledge was also administered in the offices by respective controlling authority.

INT celebrates stepping into 25th year of achievement

Indus Net Technologies (INT) treads on 25th Anniversary at Sept 17, 2021. INT has won 'ET Bengal Corporate, 2013' for Best Existing Large Corporate Award and also received 'India SME 100 Award' in 2014. Bestowed as 'Best Small Business of the Year' by Franchise India in 2014, Indus Net Technologies has also received PRSI Kolkata, National PR Day Award of Excellence and BCC&I the Bengal Entrepreneurship Recognition.

BoM receives 'Kirti Puraskar' — Highest award for Rajbhasha

Bank of Maharashtra received "Rajbhasha Kirti Puraskar" for better implementation of Rajbhasha Hindi. AS Rajeev, Managing Director & CEO, Bank of Maharashtra, received this award from Nisith Pramanik, Ministers of State for Home Affairs, in a function at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on Sept 14. Home Minister Amit Shah was the chief guest of the event.

State Bank of India organises Home Loan Utsav in Bangalore

State Bank of India (SBI) Home Loan Utsav is being held at the bank's local head office on St. Mark's Road in Bangalore for two days on 18th and 19th of September 2021. The Utsav was inaugurated by Ashwani Bhatia, MD, Corporate banking & global markets, in the presence of Nand Kishore, CGM, Bangalore Circle, Keshav Kumar T, DMD, CCG II, Mahesh Goel, CGM, REHBU, Corporate Center.

NITIE gets Rajbhasha Keerti Award from Home Ministry

NITIE has been honored with Rajbhasha Keerti Award in 'B' region by Ministry of Home Affairs for 2019-20 for the excellent implementation of official language Hindi in the institute. Basavaraj Swamy, Registrar, received the award from Ajay Kumar Mishra, Minister of State for Home Affairs, at a function in New Delhi on 14th September 2021 on Hindi Day.

CGTMSE scheme to provide collateral-free loans to micro and small enterpreneurs

Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Micro and Small Enterprises (CGTMSE) was one of the many schemes launched by the government of India to make the availability of bank credit without the hassles of collaterals / third party guarantees thus remaining as a major source of support to the entrepreneurs. Micro and Small Enterpreneurs can get up to ₹200 lakh per unit as loan amount.

CMD, IREDA meets chief minister of Karnataka and energy minister of the state

Pradip Kumar Das, Chairman & Managing Director (CMD), Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA) along with senior officials of the company met Karnataka Chief Minister Basavaraj S Bommai, Minister for Industries Murugesh R Nirani and Minister for Energy V. Sunil Kumar, Industries Commissioner, Gunjan Krishna, Additional Chief Secretary Energy, Kumar Nayak, KIADB CEO, Shivshankar on Sept 21.

Norris takes maiden pole at Russian GP

McLaren's Lando Norris took his maiden Formula One pole in a shock outcome to Saturday's qualifying for the Russian GP. Norris is joined on the front row by the Ferrari of Carlos Sainz with Lewis Hamilton starting on the second row in his latest attempt at reaching 100 wins.

Bowlers hit high pitch as Capitals gain control

SUPER SUNDAY

Three of the top-four will be in action in what promises to be a Super Sunday in the desert. A look at the two IPL clashes in store...

UNBEATEN SIDES LOOK TO KEEP MOJO GOING

Venkatesh Iyer. Ruturaj Gaikwad. That's the small list of openers who have provided necessary ballast in the UAE leg. Granted it's a small sample size but both Kolkata and Chennai have benefited immensely from their work. On Sunday, they will search for more such avenues to make it three wins on the bounce. As far as Chennai is concerned, they know that one more will probably put them through to the knockout stages.

BATTING AFTER THE POWERPLAY

Bangalore's batting has been a passable impression of Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde, with the latter being ever present after the first six overs. They will look at arresting that worrying trend. The numbers don't make for good reading — 41/2 to 92 all out against Kolkata and 55 for no loss to 156/6 against Chennai.

WILL THE REAL MUMBAI PLEASE STAND UP?

Mumbai Indians are notoriously slow starters. This is a well established fact. However, the defending champions should start picking up a few points before the season goes pear shaped for them.

CSK vs KKR: 3.30 pm | Abu Dhabi
RCB vs MI: 7.30 pm | Dubai

Live on Star Sports network

AYANTAN CHOWDHURY @ New Delhi

THE Delhi Capitals bowling unit once again turned a par score into an unbeatable one as they thrashed Rajasthan Royals by 33 runs at the Sheikh Zayed Stadium in Abu Dhabi on Saturday. Being put to bat first, Delhi put up 154/6 but the Royals finished with a poor 121/6 in their quota of 20 overs.

The result meant Delhi went top of the table and now have 16 points from 10 games while Rajasthan are sixth with eight points from nine. The win means last year's runners-up side have virtually sealed their spot in the playoffs as no team has failed to reach the last four when on 16 points.

The track was on the slower side which made it difficult to bat on. It was evident from the moment the Delhi openers came out to bat. They were unable to time a single delivery and could not last long out in the middle.

IPL TOPPERS

ORANGE CAP	PURPLE CAP
S DHAWAN	H PATEL
430 RUNS	19 WKTS
SIX-O-METER	**FAIRPLAY**
455	CSK

Updated till PBKS vs SRH match

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Shikhar Dhawan (8) was the first to get dismissed as he played on a good length ball onto his stumps. Shaw did not last long either as he departed off the bowling of Chetan Sakariya. Precariously placed at 21/2, Shreyas Iyer (43 off 32 balls) and Rishabh Pant (24 off 24 balls) notched a 62-run partnership.

Brief scores: DC 154/6 in 20 ovs (Iyer 43) **bt** RR 121/6 in 20 ovs (Samson 70 n.o).

Narrow victory for Punjab

MARTIN JOSEPH @ Kochi

THE narrative was simple enough: perform or perish. Battling for the wooden spoon, this was a must-win game for both Sunrisers Hyderabad and Punjab Kings at the Sharjah Cricket Stadium on Saturday. Hyderabad did what was required in the first innings, restricting Punjab to 125/7. However, Sunrisers struggled in their chase to fall short of win by six runs.

Jason Holder's valiant effort with both bat (47 n.o) and ball (3/19) was not enough.

It was a case of who was going to blink first and Hyderabad did everything right from the word go and placed the onus on Punjab by asking them to bat first. While the Kings boast of star players like KL Rahul, Mayank Agarwal and Chris Gayle, the Sunrisers skipper Kane Williamson played his cards well. The two dangerous openers were back in the dugout without causing much damage as Jason Holder (3/19) made sure the two added just 27 to the scorecard. Hyderabad couldn't have asked for a better start and piled all the pressure on Punjab in what was a virtual qualifier. Despite Gayle being in the middle, the runs were not easy to come on a slow surface and they were 55 for 2 after 10 overs.

Brief scores: PBKS 125/7 in 20 ovs (J Holder 3/19) bt SRH 120/7 in 20 ovs (J Holder 47 n.o.; R Bishnoi 3/24).

Rising boxer Bhoria eager to make chance count

ANMOL GURUNG @ Chennai

WITH the national championships coming too soon for Amit Panghal and the rest of the Tokyo participants, plenty of fresh faces will be part of the upcoming men's World Championships. One among them is Deepak Bhoria, who's likely to challenge Panghal's status as the country's No 1 in the flyweight category (52kg) in the near future. In Panghal's absence, Bhoria asserted his class to clinch the gold medal in style during the nationals, which was held at IIS, Bellary from September 15-21. The icing on the cake for Bhoria was he was adjudged the best boxer of the championships.

"I was aware that if I won gold, I could be part of World Championships. So I was up for the challenge. I was taking it one bout at a time. I'm delighted with my performance," Bhoria told this daily.

Bhoria's success is no fluke as his recent career graph shows that he has plenty of potential, having won the nationals in 2018 and medals at international meets in the last few years. "I have been competing at the international level since 2019. So I have gained some level of confidence. Now I'm aware of how I should approach a bout, what I need to do inside the ring in order to fetch points. So it has been a beneficial experience and I hope to do well in the future."

But Bhoria has endured difficult times in his career. To begin with, he was considered to be too frail to be a boxer and coming from humble roots, he lacked the resources to get good dietary supplements in order to bulk up. In his maiden senior nationals, the Army man had suffered a knockout in the third round. It goes without saying it was a real eye-opener for Bhoria, who was then competing in the 49kg category. But with the never-ending backing of his family and coaches, Bhoria never lost faith in his pursuit for excellence in the sport. "When I used to train, my coach used to say that my game is good. I used to get thoughts like 'my game is good but I'm not getting the results that I aspired for,' But despite that, I used to get the encouragement. So I used to keep those words in my mind and continue with my training. I knew I would get a chance," he said.

Now when he recollects those days of toil, he feels those experiences were vital as it made him a more rounded athlete. "If you are chasing big things, difficulties will keep coming and going. Those difficulties are also crucial to shape us into champion figures. We are prone to injuries in boxing, we always have to be prepared. I have to keep fighting." Army coach Narendra Rana, who was at his corner during that unfortunate incident in 2017, recalled how Bhoria took that setback in his stride. "He lost his rhythm entirely after that. Others stepped up and went on to do well at the international level. However, he never stopped working hard," Rana, who was with Bhoria at Bellary, recalled.

His hard work paid dividends the very next year as he went on to win gold at the nationals. That also helped him break into the national team.

LOCAL EXPRESS

Engrades CC beat Visweswarapuram

BENGALURU: Engrades Cricket Club secured a comfortable 140-run win over Visweswarapuram Cricket Club (1) in the KSCA Group I - III Division League Tournament for Sri Nassur Memorial Shield. Ramanji S was one of the key performers for Engrades, scoring an unbeaten 103, which pushed them to 226/9. Later on, Jithendra VN (4/20) and Saravanan K (3/19) delivered to dismiss Visweswarapuram for 86 runs.

Six-red snooker from September 27

BENGALURU: The Karnataka State Billiards Association is set to conduct Karnataka state 6 red snooker ranking tournament for men and women from September 27 at the M. Chenniappan Billiards hall. Covid protocols will be followed in the championship.

City overcome Chelsea, shock defeat for United

AFP @ London

MANCHESTER City ended their Chelsea hoodoo on Saturday, beating the European champions 1-0 while Bruno Fernandes missed a last-gasp penalty in Manchester United's shock defeat by Aston Villa.

Gabriel Jesus' second-half strike proved decisive for Pep Guardiola's men, who gained a measure of revenge for three consecutive defeats by Chelsea, most notably in last season's Champions League final.

Guardiola said this week that his side lacked a "weapon" to match Chelsea's record signing Romelu Lukaku or United's Cristiano Ronaldo to decide games inside the box.

But Brazilian forward Jesus ultimately made the difference for City, who could have won more convincingly but for a combination of wasteful finishing and some impressive last-ditch defending. City started brightly, forcing Chelsea — previously unbeaten this season in all competitions — onto the back foot and went close in the opening minutes when Aymeric Laporte's header dropped wide. The key moment came in the 53rd minute when Jesus got the break City deserved to open the scoring as his effort deflected off Jorginho to leave goalkeeper Edouard Mendy flat-footed. At Old Trafford, Villa arrived with a woeful record of one win in their previous 45 PL games against Manchester United. United were on top early on, but Villa missed two great chances to take the lead.

Results: Chelsea 0-1 Man City; Man United 0-1 Aston Villa; Everton 2-0 Norwich; Leeds 1-2 West Ham; Leicester 2-2 Burnley; Watford 1-1 Newcastle United; Brentford 3-3 Liverpool.

US dominate opening exchanges

AFP @ Kohler (US)

THE US carried momentum into Saturday's second day of the Ryder Cup after seizing a 6-2 edge over Europe, its largest first-day advantage in 46 years. After dominating Friday's foursomes and four-ball matches, the Americans jumped ahead early again at Whistling straits in morning foursomes play. "We want to continue that momentum," US captain Steve Stricker said on Saturday. American Daniel Berger sank a 10-foot birdie putt to win the first hole and a five-footer to birdie the par-5 second, then won the third with a par as he and Brooks Koepka seized a 3-up lead over Jon Rahm and Sergio Garcia. Rahm and Garcia had been the only European duo to win a match on day one with their foursomes triumph, the other points for the visitors coming on tied four-ball matches.

BFC reach Durand Cup semis

AGENCIES @ Kolkata

BENGALURU FC came from behind yet again to defeat Army Green 3-2 in their Durand Cup quarterfinal, at the Vivekananda Yuba Bharati Krirangan in Kolkata on Saturday. Lallawmkima PC (9') gave the away side the lead in the first half, before goals from Wungngayam Muirang (20'), Leon Augustine (46') and Namgyal Bhutia (74') put the Blues ahead. Vibin TV (89') pulled one back at the end, but Bengaluru held on to win the game.

It was Army Green, which took lead as Lallawmkima scored from the spot after he was brought down by Ajith Kumar in the box. Bengaluru did not take much time to score the equaliser as Leon won a free kick on the right flank. Muirang's effort beat the wall and the goalkeeper, to make it 1-1.

It took less than a minute into the second half for the Blues to complete the comeback. Leon, who had sparked the comeback against Indian Navy on Tuesday, escaped his markers and, with the 'keeper charging forward, chipped the ball into an empty net to make it 2-1.

The Blues got their third goal of the game when Biswa found substitute Bhutia in the box, and the forward shot low into the far corner to put Bengaluru 3-1 up. Army Green won another penalty a minute before stoppage time after Robin Yadav brought down Lallawmkima and Vibin TV sent Lara the wrong way to make it 3-2.

The Blues held on to their lead to win the game and seal their spot in the semifinals, where they face FC Goa, on September 29.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE
No. OT - 96215469 Dt.14.09.2021
Divisional Material Manager, Madurai Division, Southern Railway for and on behalf of The President of India invites E- tender for the following, Supply as per derailed tender notice given in our e-tender portal **www.ireps.gov.in** The tenderer(s) intending to apply need to get enrolled in the e tender portal www.ireps.gov.in and only online tenders will be accepted. All relevant credentials and supporting documents are to be uploaded along with the offer.
Tender Notice No. **OT – 96215469 Dt. 14.09.2021**
Name of the work: **Supply of "23 sets of 120AH VRLA Batteries for TL Coaches**
Closing date and Time: **05.10.2021 14.30 hrs.**
Divisional Electrical Engineer/ G/ Madurai
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PUBLIC NOTICE
This is for the kind notice of the general public at large, that my client Sri. Nanjemari S/o Munikempaiah, resident of Tharabanahalli, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk had executed a Regd. General power of attorney vide Doc No. YNLK/44/2006-07 dt. 5/5/2006 in favour of K Gopal Gowda S/o. Krishnappa resident of No. 14, Sai Nilaya, 1st cross, MLA layout Bangalore 32.
Since, the said Gopal Gowda is acted against to the terms and conditions stipulated in the power of attorney and also acting in-determinantly against the will and wish of my client, my client as cancelled the said power of attorney by sending a notice to him by way of registered post. In view of the same, the said Gopal Gowda cannot be acted as the power of attorney of my client from here in after.
Manjunatha .Y.N, Advocate
1st Floor, Vinayaka Complex, Sulibele Road, Shanthinagara, Devanahalli Town 562110.

PUBLIC NOTICE
My Client intends to Purchase the schedule property hereunder from Smt. Kempamma @ Sarojamma, wife of Mr. Rajanna, aged about 51 years, residing at: Anamanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Kallahalli Post, Kanakapura-562 117 and her family members. Any person having any charge, lien, interest or title or claim or Agreement on the Schedule Property, should come forth with original of the documents in support of such claim and produce the same to the undersigned within 07 (Seven) days from the date of publication of this notice. In the event no such legally tenable claim is received, my Client shall proceed with the Purchase of the Schedule Property as if no such claims exist or that they have been waived or abandoned.
SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY
All that piece and parcel of the agricultural land in **Old Sy. No. 222, New Sy. No. 222/3** measuring 25 Guntas situated at **Rayasandra Village, Kasaba Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramangara District** and bounded as follows:
East by : Land belonging to Deslingegowda and Karigowda
West by : Government Land
North by : Land belonging to Munivenkattappa
South by : Land belonging to children of Manchaiah's children
Shamanth S. N., Advocate, Shamanth & Associates
No. 402, 4th Floor, Suraj Ganga Arcade, No. 332/7, 14th Cross, 2nd Block Jayanagar, Bengaluru-560 011
Bangalore Date: 25-09-2021

PUBLIC NOTICE
This public notice issued to the General public that, my client **Smt. BANDI RAMANAMMA,** Aged about 49 years, Wife of Bandi Surendra, residing at Dhanalakshmipuram, Ramalayam Temple, Vaviletipadu, Nellor Rural, Gundlapalem, Nellore, Andhra Pradesh-524002, had lost the Original registered Sale Deed 16-10-2013, registered as Document No.BNS-1-11413/2014-15, Stored in CD No.BNSD 333 and registered in the office of Sub-registrar Shivajinagar (Banasawadi), Bangalore, in respect of the propertybearing portion on the Northern side of Site No.17 and 18, Old House List Khatha No.59, New Khata No.4477/17/18, Assessment No.4477, Old Property No.35, New No.35/p14, situated at **Maragondanahalli Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk** (erstwhile Bangalore South Taluk), Bangalore, measuring East to West 24 Feet and North to South 25 Feet, in all measuring 600 Sq.fts., for which my client had filed a police complaint before the Banasawadi Police Station, Bangalore on 24-09-2021 in this regard. If any person got or traced out the aforesaid original document, please return/handover the same to the undersigned or to the nearest police. Further if any person/s having any type of claim, right or interest in this regard or over the aforesaid property may kindly contact and lodge the same with documentary proof to the undersigned within **SEVEN DAYS** of this publication failing which my client will treat the certified copy of the aforesaid document as original.
Sri.S.M.Raju & Associates,
Advocates & Consultants,
No.51, 5th Main Road, B.Channasandra, Kalyana Nagar post, Bangalore-560043, Mobile No.9845867078.

PUBLIC NOTICE
The General Public are hereby notified that my client proposes to purchase the Schedule Property belonging to M/s.Bodhi Niketan Trust, having its Office at C.M.I. Ashram, K.Narayanapura, Kothanur Post, Bangalore – 560 077. Represented by the Secretary Fr.Dr.Augustine George.
The General Public are hereby notified that if any person/s having any claim/s in respect of the Schedule Property or objections for the proposed sale transaction, may lodge their claims/objections with documentary proof to reach the undersigned within 7 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which, thereafter my client shall proceed to complete the sale transaction and claims/objections received beyond the stipulated period will not be entertained.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
All that piece and parcel of the residential immovable property bearing Corporation No.21, Survey No.11/5, 11/6 and 11/7, situated at Nagareshwara Nagenahalli, Bangalore in Ward No.25 of Horamavu Sub-Division, measuring 36.08 Guntas [formerly carved out of residentially converted land bearing Survey Nos.11/5, 11/6 and 11/7 [Old Survey No.11/2] of Nagareshwara Nagenahalli Village K.R Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk], presently within the revenue administrative jurisdiction of the Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and bounded as follows :
East by : Survey No.11/8
West by : Survey No.11/2
North by : Survey No.22
South by : Road and Survey No.10
N.JAIPRAKASH RAO, VEENA RAO
N.ASHOK KUMAR
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"LAW FIRM"
No.38, "KRISHNA" 1st Cross, Malleswaram, BANGALORE - 560 003.
Phone No: 080-2356360, 23468742
E-mail :contact@jaypeeassociates.com
Date : 25.09.2021

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY
E-Tender Notice No. UBLS-E-02-2021-22
Date: 21.09.2021
The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, invites E-tenders for the following work:

Name of Work	Approx. Value
Extension of Tracks in Carriage Lift Section till Production Shop - Electrical Arrangements.	Rs. 18,18,896/-

Last date for submission of bids: **Up to 15:00 hrs. of 13.10.2021**
For details log on: www.ireps.gov.in
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CIN No. U40101UR2001SGC025866, Website: www.ujvni.com
R.O. No. 703 **Date Extension Notice- 01** Dt. 24-09-2021
Due to unavoidable reasons the Date of Submission & opening of the e-NIT No. **NCB/16/EE/PCM-DKP/TN/2021-22** invited by the office of the Executive Engineer Project Civil Maintenance-Dakpathar is being extended as below:
Last Date & Time for submission of bids on the portal- Upto17:00 hrs. of 11.10.2021
Date & Time of Opening of bids on the portal- at 11:00 hrs. of 12.10.2021
Information regarding Addendum/Corrigendum/Cancellation etc. of tender may be obtained from the website.
Full & further details of tender can be seen from the e-procurement portal "https://uktenders.gov.in".
Executive Engineer (PCM)
"Avoid Wasteful use of Electricity"

DOCUMENT LOST
I, **SABRINA MARGARET HIGHLAND,** aged about 65 years, W/o. Late Leonard Francis Highland alias Leonard Highland, presently residing at No. 166, Richmond Place, Byrathi Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru, do hereby inform the general public that I have lost the last page of Original Sale Deed dated 23rd October 2003, registered as Document No. 14300/2003-04, at the office of the Sub Registrar, K. R. Puram, Bangalore, while photocopying at Byrathi Village. Inspite of my best efforts, I could not trace the same and in this regard on 23rd September 2021, I have lodged a complaint with Police Unit- Bengaluru City, vide Lost Report No. 0056441/2021. If any person finds the above said document it may kindly be handed over to me at the address mentioned above or contact me on 9742794247 or 9108062857.

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Public are hereby notified that my clients is intending to purchase the herein scheduled property, free of all encumbrances, charges or leins whatsoever, from, SRI.DINESH SINGARAJ, and his wife, Smt. TRIVENI DINESH all at Bengaluru and any other person having any objection therefor, may write to us, the undersigned, within 7 days hereof, along with the copies of all the documents being relied upon, failing which, my clients will proceed to purchase the scheduled property and any claims thereafter, shall not affect the absolute title and possession of my clients.
SCHEDULE
All that piece and parcel of the immovable house Property bearing No. 21, carved out of Converted Sy. No. 372 and Sy. No. 372/P1(531), (old No. 372), BBMP Form–B, Sl. No. 211, situated at Kalkere Village, K.R.Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, now comes under the jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) Bangalore, measuring East to West: 30 Ft & North to South: 50 Ft and a total of 1500 Sq. Ft together with a House building thereon, Ward No.26 – Rammurthy Nagar, BBMP, Bengaluru, and bounded on the:
East by : Site No. 22
West by : Site No. 20.
North by : 25 feet Road.
South by : Site No. 24.
H.S CHANDRAMOULI, Advocate, No. 9/1, Crescent Road, High Grounds, Bangalore – 01. Mob:. 9845030039

INDIAN BANK
Cantonment Branch, Bengaluru.
APPENDIX - IV (RULE-8(1)
POSSESSION NOTICE (FOR IMMOVABLE PROPERTY)
Where as, the undersigned being the Authorized Officer of the **Indian Bank** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with rule 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a **demand notice dated 29.06.2021** Calling upon the borrower **M/s. Hamza Enterprises** represented by proprietor **Mr. Mohammed Nizam (Borrower)** and **Mr. Mohammed Yousuff (Guarantor)** with our **Cantonment Branch** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.16,91,060/- (in words Sixteen Lakhs Ninety One Thousand and Sixty only)** and interest thereon till the date of repayment within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has **taken possession** of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under Section 13 (4) of the said Act read with rule 8 and 9 of the said rules on this **22nd day of September of the year 2021.**
The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Indian Bank** for an amount of **Rs.16,91,060.00** and interest thereon. We draw attention to the provisions of Section 13(8) of the SARFAESI Act and the Rules framed there under which deals with your rights of redemption over the securities.
DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
All that part and parcel of the property consisting Residential flat No 104, Ground Floor, "R K COMFORT" 2nd Cross, BBMP New Municipal No 7, PID No. 90-32-7, BBMP Ward No 90, Lingaajapura Main Road, Near Sunder Hospital, ST Thomas, Kariyanapalya, Kancharakanahalli, Bangalore-560084, measuring total of 512 sqft as super built up area and 111sqft as undivided share of land **bounded on the: Property Bounded: On the East by:** Property of Gowramma, **On the West by:** Property of M Gopal, **On the North by:** 2nd Cross Road, **On the South by:** BBMP property.
Date: 22.09.2021 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Indian Bank, Cantonment Branch**

UJVN Ltd.
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RO No. 706 **CORRIGENDUM** Date: 24.09.2021
In reference to e-NIT Nos. **NCB/16/EE/PCM-DKP/TN/2021-22** invited by the office of the Executive Engineer, Project Civil Maintenance-Dakpathar, Corrigendum has been uploaded on the e-Procurement portal **"https://uktenders.gov.in"**
Other Terms & Condition will remain same.
Information regarding Addendum/Corrigendum/Cancellation etc. of tender may be obtained from the website.
Full & Further Details of tender can be seen from the e-procurement portal "https://uktenders.gov.in".
Executive Engineer (Project Civil Maintenance)
"AVOID WASTEFUL USE OF ELECTRICITY"

PUBLIC NOTICE
This is to inform the general public that my client **Mr. Jackie Y** is intending to purchase the below mentioned schedule of property from its owner **"Smt.Sheetal Prashant, w/o Prashant Jayaraman,Yelahanka Bangalore - 560064"**
If anybody having any objection, claim, interest, dispute from above intend sale transaction ,he/she/they may contact the undersigned with the documentary proof substantiating his/her/their objections/ claims/details of disputes within 10 days from the date of publication ,failing which, my client will proceed to complete the sale transaction with the above owner as if there are no third party claims/ objections / disputes in respect of the scheduled property and thereafter no claims/disputes/ objections will be entertained.
SCHEDULE PROPERTY
All piece and parcel of Residential property bearing vacant Site no:260, Rajankunte village, Panchayat Katha no:1771/1019/260, property no 150200200600302920, formed out of converted survey no:214, vide Order no .ALN/(NAH)SR-180/08-09, Dated 31-12-2008 situated at Addevishwanathapura Village, Hesarghatta Hobli, Previously Bangalore North Taluk, Presently Yelahanka Taluk, BIAAPA approved Vide no: BIAAPA/TP/LAO/48/2008-09, Dated 13-07-2009. Measuring - 1372 Sq feet. And bounded as follows:
East by: 30 feet wide road
West by: 10 feet pathway Road
North by: Site no. 259
South by: Site no. 261
Sd/-
Mr. M S Girish
Advocate
#584 RMV 2 stage ,New BEL Road
Devasandra,Bangalore-560094
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IN THE COURT OF THE CITY CIVIL JUDGE, AT BENGALURU (CCH-53)
P. & S.C.N0.473/2021
BETWEEN: 1. Smt. P. J. Sujatha, W/o late Sri. Perikal M. Jagannath, aged about 61 years, **2. Sri Rakshith J. Perikal** S/o Late Sri Perikal M. Jagannath, aged about 32 years. Both are Residents of No.1857, 31st Cross, 9th Main, Banashankari Stage, Benglauru-560070 **...Petitioners**
AND : NIL ...Respondents
NOTICE OF PETITION
Whereas, The Petitioners above named have filed the above petition under Section 372 of the Indian Succession Act, 1925, seeking for the grant of Succession Certificate in their favour in respect of Schedule shares which were standing in the name of late Sri Perikal M. Jagannath. Anybody having any manner of objections for grant of the above relief are hereby directed to file the same by appearing before the Hon'ble Court on the next date of hearing i.e., 10.11.2021. at 11:00 AM in the forenoon either in person or duly instructed pleader, failing which the above petition will be heard and decided in the absence of such objections in accordance with law.
SCHEDULE

Sl. No	Holder Name	Company Name	Folio No	No of Shares	Face Value
1	Jagannath P.M	MPS Limited	90100802	625	10/-
2	P.M Jagannath	Siemens Limited	SIP6000407	110	2/-
3	P.M Jagannath	Zensar Technologies Limited	P00218	470	2/-
4	Jagannath P.M	TVS Motor Company Limited	J05945	140	1/-
5	Jagannath P.M	Sunflag Iron & Steel Co. Limited	0022418	910	10/-
6	P.M Jagannath	Gabriel India Limited	P0000029	500	1/-

Given Under my hand & Seal on this the 22.09.2021.
By order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.
Advocate for Petitioner: **A. M. Vijay**
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Government of Karnataka
Minor Irrigation and Ground water Development Division, Chitradurga
NO.EE/MI&GWD DIV/CTA/PB1/TENDER NOTIFICATION: 07/2021-22/1194 DATE: 21.09.2021
E-TENDER NOTIFICATION (TWO COVER) KW- 3
Item rate tender in two cover system as per KTPP act-2000 with latest amendments is invited from the eligible Class-I contractors registered in KPWD (KW-3) for the following work through e-procurement portal.
Name of work:- **(1)** CONSTRUCTION OF CHECK DAM NEAR SIDDAPANA VAJRA AND CONSTRUCTION OF CHECK DAM FOR GOVERNMENT HALLA NEAR AAKSHAYA FOOD PARK IN HIRIYUR TALUK, CHITRADURGA DISTRICT. **Tender Amount:- 100.00 Lakhs. (2)** CONSTRUCTION OF CHECK DAM ACROSS JIGALI HALLA NEAR HOSAJOGA IN NYAMATHI TALUK, DAVANAGERE DISTRICT. **Tender Amount:- 100.00 Lakhs. (3)** CONSTRUCTION OF PROTECTION WALL NEAR R.SY. NO 32 (SY NO 31, 33, 23) OF JAVALAGATTA SHIVANNA BIN HANUMANTHAPPA AND OTHERS OF SALAGANAHALLI VILLAGE IN HARIHARA TALUK, DAVANAGERE DISTRICT. **Tender Amount:- 100.00 Lakhs**
Tender documents may be downloaded from Government of Karnataka e-procurement website http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in from **30.09.2021**. Last Date & Time for enquiries about tender **07.10.2021** upto 5.30 P.M., Last Date for submission of Tenders **08.10.2021** up to 4.00 P.M. Opening of Technical bid Date: **11.10.2021** after 10.30 A.M (If possible). Opening of Financial bid Date: **12.10.2021** after 11.30 A.M (If possible). Tenders may be submitted along with EMD and tender fee (Mode of payment should be online only as prescribed in website). Amount mentioned in e-portal is final for the amount put to tender & the E.M.D. Additional Information regarding works may be obtained from the Division Office during office hours & from e-procurement help desk No.080-25501216 & 080-25501227.
DIPR/CTA/MCA/492/2021-22 Sd/- Executive Engineer, MI, Chitradurga

RISKS TO CHINESE PUBLIC

29% of China's GDP is the real estate market and about 78% of wealth of urban Chinese is in residential property. If the Evergrande crisis leads to a drop in home prices in China, the dent to the main assets of the largest population in the world will have ripple effects globally

1.5mn people have put deposits on Evergrande homes that are yet to be built

CHINA EVERGRANDE BUCKLES UNDER SNOWBALLING DEBT

Evergrande, the massive Chinese property developer that is on the brink of collapse, is the product of erratic regulation and creative financing. Real-estate developers in the country often borrow even from the shadow-banking system to support their rapid construction pace and resort to omitting debt from the balance sheet or paying off debt with apartments. Evergrande's borrowing was unusually high even by industry standards: It has around $310 billion in liabilities, of which $100 billion is loans, for a company that had $100 billion in sales last year. Here's an overview of the systemic implications of the company defaulting on its debt

TIP OF THE ICEBERG

Though other major developers such as Vanke Co., state-owned Poly Group and Wanda Group have not reported similar problems, hundreds of smaller developers have shut down since regulators began tightening finance rules in 2017. More importantly, there are 10 property developers that are potentially at risk of default, as per estimates by *Caixin*, a Chinese investigative news outlet. The combined sales of those firms are $287 bn — 2.7 times that of Evergrande

RISKS TO CHINA

Caixin estimates that the chief victims of an Evergrande default would be home buyers. In addition, the exposure of banks to Evergrande may mean that Chinese financial sector could be hit by a credit crunch in the event of a default

But banks only comprise 25% of Evergrande's interest-bearing liabilities, the *Economist* said, citing data from research company Gavekal. About 45% of the liabilities stem from shadow lenders, which charge higher

GLOBAL IMPACT

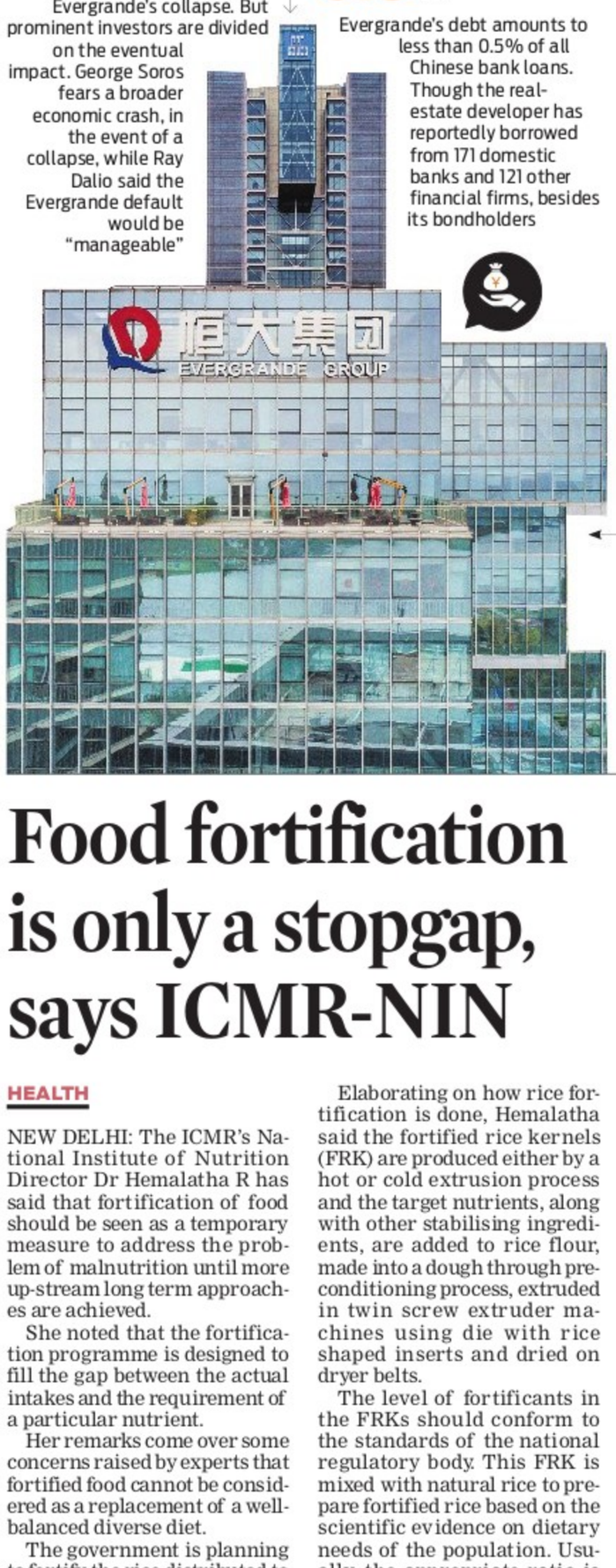
Central bank officials and executives in the private banking sector in the US and Europe have said the global impact of the crisis should be minimal. Unlike the Lehman Brothers crash in the US in 2008, companies have had months to prepare for Evergrande's collapse. But prominent investors are divided on the eventual impact. George Soros fears a broader economic crash, in the event of a collapse, while Ray Dalio said the Evergrande default would be "manageable"

$170BN

worth of land the company is developing, which is 50% more than its debts, the *Economist* reported, citing data from S&P Capital IQ

0.5%

Evergrande's debt amounts to less than 0.5% of all Chinese bank loans. Though the real-estate developer has reportedly borrowed from 171 domestic banks and 121 other financial firms, besides its bondholders



EVERGRANDE'S POSITION

84 PER CENT

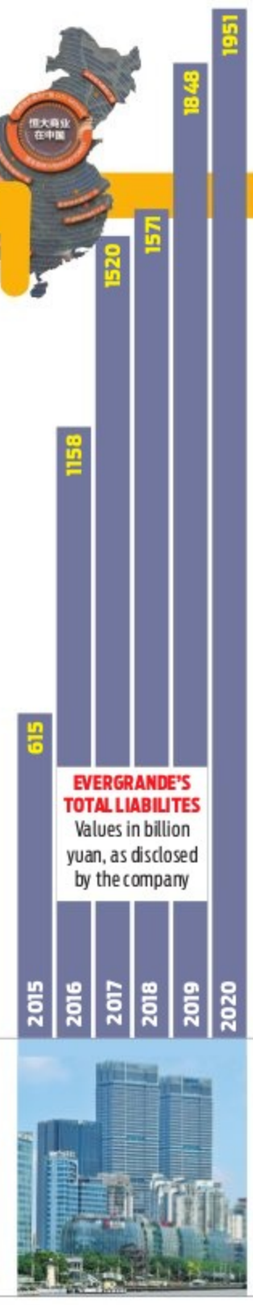
Evergrande's Hong Kong-traded shares have fallen 84% since early 2021. It has $19 bn worth of outstanding publicly traded dollar bonds. Evergrande is the biggest single offshore dollar bond issuer in the market, accounting for 9%. Big names such as UBS, asset manager BlackRock and HSBC Holdings have invested in the dollar bonds, which reports said are not linked to the core property business

DEADLINE MISSED

Evergrande missed a deadline on Thursday to make interest payments on dollar bonds held by global investors, the *Wall Street Journal* reported. The $83.5 million payment could be the largest-ever dollar bond default by an Asian company. The company can still make the payments later, however, and has a 30-day grace period before a default can be declared. The Journal had reported earlier that the Chinese government asked local authorities to prepare for a potential Evergrande collapse

2 LAKH

The company has over 2 lakh employees, reflecting a bloated conglomerate that entered loss-making ventures in bottled water, electric vehicles and other sectors



EVERGRANDE'S TOTAL LIABILITES
Values in billion yuan, as disclosed by the company

2ND

largest developer in China, until recently, with almost 900 completed projects and assets of $350 billion

Timeline of Evergrande's problems

1996
Steel-factory worker Xu Jiayin starts Evergrande, targeting millions of middle-class Chinese climbing onto the property ladder across the rapidly urbanising country

2009/10
After going public in 2009, Evergrande takes control of a Chinese football club (pictured below) and spends billions of dollars on foreign players, helping it to win a succession of titles

The company also moves into the dairy, grain and oil businesses and later tries to build an electric car — kicking off a debt-fuelled spending spree

2017
Xu becomes the richest person in Asia with a net worth of $43 billion

2018
In Nov, the first signs of trouble emerge when China's central bank adds Evergrande to its list of highly indebted conglomerates to watch, flagging that a collapse could cause systemic risks

2020
Regulators announce caps for three different debt ratios in a scheme dubbed "three red lines" that tightens lending to the real estate sector. Evergrande sells **28% of its property** management unit for $3 billion and starts offloading properties at increasingly steep discounts

2021

JUNE
Regulators tighten scrutiny on the controversial practice of taking deposits from homeowners before a house is completed, a major source of funding for developers. Under the new rules, local governments will set a maximum cap on deposits, hold deposits and release funds to developers in batches after inspecting the progress of projects

AUGUST
An advertiser sues the company for unpaid dues, the first in a string of cases filed by nervous subcontractors. Work at several construction sites grinds to a halt. Global ratings companies including Fitch, Moody's, and S&P downgrade Evergrande's outlook to negative, making it harder for the troubled firm to borrow money and raising fears of bankruptcy

SEPTEMBER
Evergrande says it is under "tremendous pressure" and may not be able to meet its liabilities. It warns that media coverage and rumours had led to waning confidence and falling property sales during a normally buoyant Sept selling period. Protests erupt outside company headquarters in Shenzhen and elsewhere, with investors & homebuyers demanding repayments

Food fortification is only a stopgap, says ICMR-NIN

HEALTH

NEW DELHI: The ICMR's National Institute of Nutrition Director Dr Hemalatha R has said that fortification of food should be seen as a temporary measure to address the problem of malnutrition until more up-stream long term approaches are achieved.

She noted that the fortification programme is designed to fill the gap between the actual intakes and the requirement of a particular nutrient.

Her remarks come over some concerns raised by experts that fortified food cannot be considered as a replacement of a well-balanced diverse diet.

The government is planning to fortify the rice distributed to the poor via different schemes such as midday meals in a bid to tackle malnutrition.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi had recently announced that whether through ration shops or the Midday Meal (MDM) scheme, the rice made available under every government programme would be fortified by 2024.

Elaborating on how rice fortification is done, Hemalatha said the fortified rice kernels (FRK) are produced either by a hot or cold extrusion process and the target nutrients, along with other stabilising ingredients, are added to rice flour, made into a dough through preconditioning process, extruded in twin screw extruder machines using die with rice shaped inserts and dried on dryer belts.

The level of fortificants in the FRKs should conform to the standards of the national regulatory body. This FRK is mixed with natural rice to prepare fortified rice based on the scientific evidence on dietary needs of the population. Usually, the appropriate ratio is 1:100; that is one fortified rice kernel for 100 unfortified normal rice, Hemalatha said.

Experts said fortified rice cannot be considered as a replacement of a well-balanced diverse diet but needs to be viewed as a complementary food to daily diet to meet the gaps in nutrients noted in the Indian diet had by masses.

US refocuses attention on thawing Arctic

CLIMATE

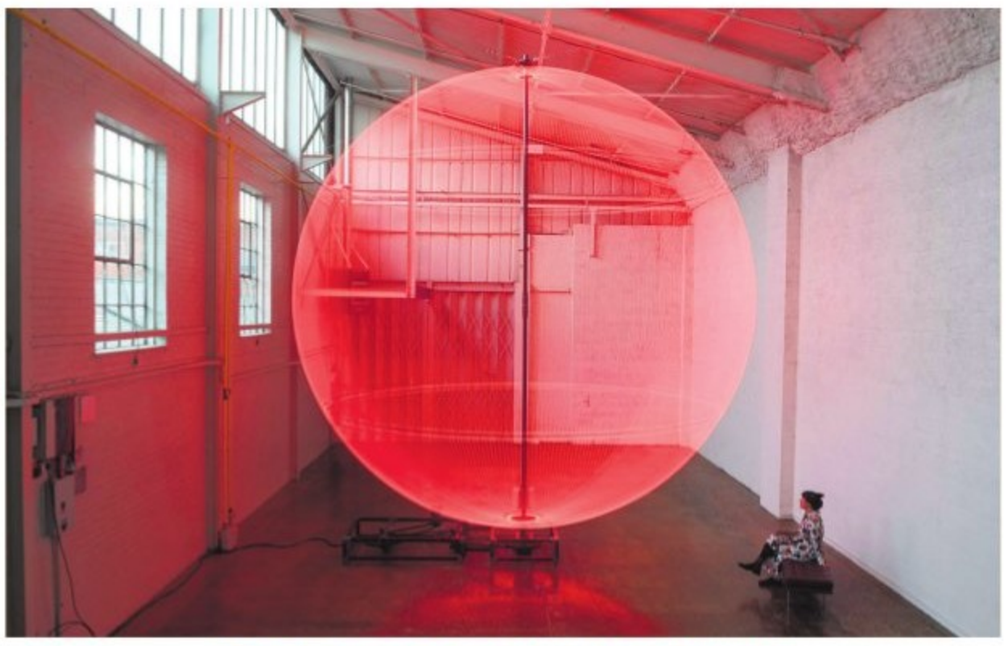
WASHINGTON: The Biden administration in the US is stepping up its work to figure about what to do about the thawing Arctic, which is warming three times faster than the rest of the world.

The White House has said it is reactivating the Arctic Executive Steering Committee, which coordinates domestic regulations and works with other Arctic nations. It also is adding six new members to the US Arctic Research Commission, including two Indigenous Alaskans.

The steering committee had been moribund for the past four years, not meeting at a high level, said David Balton, appointed to direct it.

He said the Arctic is "opening up in a number of ways. Most of this is bad news."

University of Colorado scientist Twila Moon, who is not involved with the committee or commission, praised the developments. "The US cannot afford to sit back on Arctic issues" as the Arctic is changing so quickly and could affect national security, Moon said.



ROTATING 3D DISPLAY

In this long exposure image, a neon artwork *Sphere* by pioneering artist Fred Tschida is produced using seven gas-filled, glass-lit sculptures that are fixed on rotating devices to create an ethereal display of light, in Wakefield, UK | AFP

FACT OF THE MATTER

3,493 shark fins seized

CONSERVATION

Thousands of shark fins were confiscated by Colombian authorities before they could be illegally shipped to Hong Kong, officials said. Bogota "seized 3,493 shark fins and 117 kilos of fish bladders to Hong Kong", environmental ministry head Carolina Urrutia said. The haul highlights the continued demand for shark fin, served at wedding banquets in some Chinese communities and falsely believed to have medicinal properties.

Vaccine train for rural areas

HEALTH

South Africa's vaccine train — which has now made its way to the small town of Swartkops on the country's south coast is carrying doctors, nurses and, crucially, vaccine doses. It has a mission to bring vaccines closer to people in small towns. It will stay for about two weeks at a time at seven stations in the province to vaccinate as many people as possible. State-owned rail company Transnet launched the program to aid the government's rollout.

MIGRATION MYSTERY

Ancient footprints re-write humanity's history in the Americas

ARCHAEOLOGY

LOS ANGELES: Footprints dating back 23,000 years have been discovered in the US, suggesting humans settled North America long before the end of the last Ice Age, research published recently showed.

The findings push back the date at which the continent was colonised by its first inhabitants by thousands of years. The footprints were left in mud on the banks of a long-since dried up lake, which is now part of a New Mexico desert.

Sediment filled the indentations and hardened into rock, protecting evidence of our ancient relatives, and giving scientists a detailed insight into their lives.

"Many tracks appear to be those of teenagers and children; large adult footprints are less frequent," write the authors of the study published in the American journal *Science*.

One hypothesis for this is the division of labour, in which adults are involved in skilled tasks whereas 'fetching and carrying' are delegated to teenagers. "Children accompany the teenagers, and collectively they leave a higher number of footprints."

Fossilised footprints dating back 23,000 years in New Mexico | AFP

Researchers also found tracks left by mammoths, prehistoric wolves, and even giant sloths, which appear to have been around at the same time as the humans visited the lake. The Americas were the last continent to be reached by humanity.

For decades, the most commonly accepted theory has been that settlers came to North America from eastern Siberia across a land bridge — the present-day Bering Strait. From Alaska, they headed south to kinder climes.

Generally, even this pushed-back estimate of the age of the first settlements had not been more than 16,000 years, after the end of the so-called "last glacial maximum" —the period when ice sheets were at their most widespread.

This episode, which lasted about 20,000 years ago, is crucial since it is believed that with ice covering much of the northern parts of the continent, migration from Asia into N America and beyond would have been very difficult.

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